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SPECIAL FEDERAL AVIATION REGULATION No. 73—Robinson R-22/R-44 Special TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE REQUIRE-MENTS

Sections

- 1. Applicability
- 2. Required training, aeronautical experience, endorsements, and flight review.
- 3. Expiration date.
- 1. Applicability. Under the procedures prescribed herein, this SFAR applies to all persons who seek to manipulate the controls or act as pilot in command of a Robinson model R-22 or R-44 helicopter. The requirements stated in this SFAR are in addition to the current requirements of part 61.
- 2. Required training, aeronautical experience, endorsements, and flight review.
 - (a) Awareness Training:
- (1) Except as provided in paragraph (a)(2) of this section, no person may manipulate the controls of a Robinson model R-22 or R-44 helicopter after March 27, 1995, for the purpose of flight unless the awareness training specified in paragraph (a)(3) of this section is completed and the person's logbook has been endorsed by a certified flight instructor authorized under paragraph (b)(5) of this sec-
- (2) A person who holds a rotorcraft category and helicopter class rating on that person's pilot certificate and meets the experience requirements of paragraph (b)(1) or paragraph (b)(2) of this section may not manipulate the controls of a Robinson model R-22 or R-44 helicopter for the purpose of flight after April 26, 1995, unless the awareness training specified in paragraph (a)(3) of this section is completed and the person's logbook has been endorsed by a certified flight instructor authorized under paragraph (b)(5) of this section.
- (3) Awareness training must be conducted by a certified flight instructor who has been endorsed under paragraph (b)(5) of this section and consists of instruction in the following general subject areas:
 - (i) Energy management;
- (ii) Mast bumping;(iii) Low rotor RPM (blade stall);
- (iv) Low G hazards: and
- (v) Rotor RPM decay.
- (4) A person who can show satisfactory completion of the manufacturer's safety course after January 1, 1994, may obtain an endorsement from an FAA aviation safety inspector in lieu of completing the awareness training required in paragraphs (a)(1) and (a)(2) of this section.
- (b) Aeronautical Experience:
- (1) No person may act as pilot in command of a Robinson model R-22 unless that person:
- (i) Has had at least 200 flight hours in helicopters, at least 50 flight hours of which were in the Robinson R-22; or

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- (ii) Has had at least 10 hours dual instruction in the Robinson R-22 and has received an endorsement from a certified flight instructor authorized under paragraph (b)(5) of this section that the individual has been given the training required by this paragraph and is proficient to act as pilot in command of an R-22. Beginning 12 calendar months after the date of the endorsement, the individual may not act as pilot in command unless the individual has completed a flight review in an R-22 within the preceding 12 calendar months and obtained an endorsement for that flight review. The dual instruction must include at least the following abnormal and emergency procedures flight training:
- (A) Enhanced training in autorotation procedures.
- (B) Engine rotor RPM control without the use of the governor,
- (C) Low rotor RPM recognition and recovery, and
- (D) Effects of low G maneuvers and proper recovery procedures.
- (2) No person may act as pilot in command of a Robinson R-44 unless that person—
- (i) Has had at least 200 flight hours in helicopters, at least 50 flight hours of which were in the Robinson R-44. The pilot in command may credit up to 25 flight hours in the Robinson R-22 toward the 50 hour requirement in the Robinson R-44; or
- (ii) Has had at least 10 hours dual instruction in a Robinson helicopter, at least 5 hours of which must have been accomplished in the Robinson R-44 helicopter and has received an endorsement from a certified flight instructor authorized under paragraph (b)(5) of this section that the individual has been given the training required by this paragraph and is proficient to act as pilot in command of an R-44. Beginning 12 calendar months after the date of the endorsement, the individual may not act as pilot in command unless the individual has completed a flight review in a Robinson R-44 within the preceding 12 calendar months and obtained an endorsement for that flight review. The dual instruction must include at least the following abnormal and emergency procedures flight training-
- (A) Enhanced training in autorotation procedures;
- (B) Engine rotor RPM control without the use of the governor;
- (C) Low rotor RPM recognition and recovery; and
- (D) Effects of low G maneuvers and proper recovery procedures.
- (3) A person who does not hold a rotorcraft category and helicopter class rating must have had at least 20 hours of dual instruction in a Robinson R-22 helicopter prior to operating it in solo flight. In addition, the person must obtain an endorsement from a certified flight instructor authorized under paragraph

- (b)(5) of this section that instruction has been given in those maneuvers and procedures, and the instructor has found the applicant proficient to solo a Robinson R-22. This endorsement is valid for a period of 90 days. The dual instruction must include at least the following abnormal and emergency procedures flight training:
- (i) Enhanced training in autorotation procedures,
- (ii) Engine rotor RPM control without the use of the governor,
- (iii) Low rotor RPM recognition and recovery, and
- (iv) Effects of low G maneuvers and proper recovery procedures.
- (4) A person who does not hold a rotorcraft category and helicopter class rating must have had at least 20 hours of dual instruction in a Robinson R-44 helicopter prior to operating it in solo flight. In addition, the person must obtain an endorsement from a certified flight instructor authorized under paragraph (b)(5) of this section that instruction has been given in those maneuvers and procedures, and the instructor has found the applicant proficient to solo a Robinson R-44. This endorsement is valid for a period of 90 days. The dual instruction must include at least the following abnormal and emergency procedures flight training:
- (i) Enhanced training in autorotation procedures.
- (ii) Engine rotor RPM control without the use of the governor,
- (iii) Low rotor RPM recognition and recovery, and
- (iv) Effects of low G maneuvers and proper recovery procedures.
- (5) No certificated flight instructor may provide instruction or conduct a flight review in a Robinson R-22 or R-44 unless that instructor—
- (i) Completes the awareness training in paragraph 2(a) of this SFAR.
- (ii) For the Robinson R-22, has had at least 200 flight hours in helicopters, at least 50 flight hours of which were in the Robinson R-22, or for the Robinson R-44, has had at least 200 flight hours in helicopters, 50 flight hours of which were in Robinson helicopters. Up to 25 flight hours of Robinson R-22 flight time may be credited toward the 50 hour requirement.
- (iii) Has completed flight training in a Robinson R-22, R-44, or both, on the following abnormal and emergency procedures—
- (A) Enhanced training in autorotation procedures:
- (B) Engine rotor RPM control without the use of the governor;
- (C) Low rotor RPM recognition and recovery; and
- (D) Effects of low G maneuvers and proper recovery procedures.

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- (iv) Has been authorized by endorsement from an FAA aviation safety inspector or authorized designated examiner that the instructor has completed the appropriate training, meets the experience requirements and has satisfactorily demonstrated an ability to provide instruction on the general subject areas of paragraph 2(a)(3) of this SFAR, and the flight training identified in paragraph 2(b)(5)(iii) of this SFAR.
 - (c) Flight Review:
- (1) No flight review completed to satisfy §61.56 by an individual after becoming eligible to function as pilot in command in a Robinson R-22 helicopter shall be valid for the operation of R-22 helicopter unless that flight review was taken in an R-22.
- (2) No flight review completed to satisfy §61.56 by individual after becoming eligible to function as pilot in command in a Robinson R-44 helicopter shall be valid for the operation of R-44 helicopter unless that flight review was taken in the R-44.
- (3) The flight review will include a review of the awareness training subject areas of paragraph 2(a)(3) of this SFAR and the flight training identified in paragraph 2(b) of this SFAR.
- (d) Currency Requirements: No person may act as pilot in command of a Robinson model R-22 or R-44 helicopter carrying passengers unless the pilot in command has met the recency of flight experience requirements of §61.57 in an R-22 or R-44, as appropriate.
- 3. Expiration date. This SFAR terminates on March 31, 2008, unless sooner superceded or rescinded.

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- SPECIAL FEDERAL AVIATION REGULATION NO. 93—TEMPORARY EXTENSION OF TIME TO ALLOW FOR CERTAIN TRAIN-ING AND TESTING
- 1. Applicability. This SFAR applies to all part 121 and 135 check airmen (simulator) and flight instructors (simulator), part 121 aircraft dispatchers, and part 142 training center instructors who were required to complete qualification requirements, an inflight line observation program, or operating familiarization in September 2001 to become qualified, or remain qualified, to perform their assigned duties. It also applies to persons who have satisfactorily accomplished the part 61 aeronautical knowledge test or the part 63 written test, either one of which has an expiration date of September 2001 for pilot, flight instructor, or flight engineer certification.
- 2. Special Qualification Requirements. The sections of 14 CFR that prescribes these requirements are sections 61.39(a)(1); 63.35(d);

- $121.411(f); \quad 121.412(f); \quad 121.463(a)(2); \quad 121.463(c); \\ 135.337(f); \quad 135.338(f); \quad 142.53(b)(2) \ \ and \ \ (b)(3).$
- 3. Extension of Time to Fulfill Certain Qualification Requirements. Persons identified in paragraph î of this SFAR who had until the end of September 2001 to complete the specified qualification requirements in September 2001 will be deemed to have completed those requirements in September 2001 provided they satisfactorily complete those requirements by November 30, 2001. For those persons identified in paragraph 1, who are qualifying for the first time to be a check airmen (simulator), flight instructor (simulator), aircraft dispatcher, or training center instructor, they must fulfill the applicable qualification requirements before they may serve as a check airmen (simulator), flight instructor (simulator), aircraft dispatcher, or training center instructor, as appropriate. This extension does not change the 12-calendar-month requirement for aircraft dispatchers or the anniversary month for check airmen, flight instructors and training center instructors. Therefore, if you were due for qualification in September 2001 you will be due for qualification September 2002, regardless of this extension for 2001.
- 4. Termination Date. This Special Federal Aviation Regulation expires November 30,

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- SPECIAL FEDERAL AVIATION REGULATION NO. 100-1—RELIEF FOR U.S. MILI-TARY AND CIVILIAN PERSONNEL WHO ARE ASSIGNED OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN SUPPORT OF U.S. ARMED FORCES OPERATIONS
- 1. Applicability. Flight Standards District Offices are authorized to accept from an eligible person, as described in paragraph 2 of this SFAR, the following:
- (a) An expired flight instructor certificate to show eligibility for renewal of a flight instructor certificate under §61.197, or an expired written test report to show eligibility under part 61 to take a practical test;
- (b) An expired written test report to show eligibility under §§63.33 and 63.57 to take a practical test; and
- (c) An expired written test report to show eligibility to take a practical test required under part 65 or an expired inspection authorization to show eligibility for renewal under §65.93.
- 2. *Eligibility*. A person is eligible for the relief described in paragraph 1 of this SFAR if:
- (a) The person served in a U.S. military or civilian capacity outside the United States in support of the U.S. Armed Forces' operation during some period of time from September 11, 2001, through June 20, 2010;

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- (b) The person's flight instructor certificate, airman written test report, or inspection authorization expired some time between September 11, 2001, and 6 calendar months after returning to the United States, or June 20, 2010, whichever is earlier; and
- (c) The person complies with §61.197 or § 65.93 of this chapter, as appropriate, or completes the appropriate practical test within 6 calendar months after returning to the United States, or June 20, 2010, whichever is earlier
- 3. Required documents. The person must send the Airman Certificate and/or Rating Application (FAA Form 8710-1) to the appropriate Flight Standards District Office. The person must include with the application one of the following documents, which must show the date of assignment outside the United States and the date of return to the United States:
- (a) An official U.S. Government notification of personnel action, or equivalent document, showing the person was a civilian on official duty for the U.S. Government outside the United States and was assigned to a U.S. Armed Forces' operation some time between September 11, 2001, through June 20, 2010.
- (b) Military orders showing the person was assigned to duty outside the United States and was assigned to a U.S. Armed Forces' operation some time between September 11, 2001 through June 20, 2010; or
- (c) A letter from the person's military commander or civilian supervisor providing the dates during which the person served outside the United States and was assigned to a U.S. Armed Forces' operation some time between September 11, 2001 through June 20, 2010
- 4. Expiration date. This Special Federal Aviation Regulation No.100-1 expires June 20, 2010, unless sooner superseded or rescinded.

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Subpart A—General

§61.1 Applicability and definitions.

- (a) This part prescribes:
- (1) The requirements for issuing pilot, flight instructor, and ground instructor certificates and ratings; the conditions under which those certificates and ratings are necessary; and the privileges and limitations of those certificates and ratings.

- (2) The requirements for issuing pilot, flight instructor, and ground instructor authorizations; the conditions under which those authorizations are necessary; and the privileges and limitations of those authorizations.
- (3) The requirements for issuing pilot, flight instructor, and ground instructor certificates and ratings for persons who have taken courses approved by the Administrator under other parts of this chapter.

(b) For the purpose of this part:

(1) Aeronautical experience means pilot time obtained in an aircraft, flight simulator, or flight training device for meeting the appropriate training and flight time requirements for an airman certificate, rating, flight review, or recency of flight experience requirements of this part.

(2) Authorized instructor means—

- (i) A person who holds a valid ground instructor certificate issued under part 61 or part 143 of this chapter when conducting ground training in accordance with the privileges and limitations of his or her ground instructor certificate:
- (ii) A person who holds a current flight instructor certificate issued under part 61 of this chapter when conducting ground training or flight training in accordance with the privileges and limitations of his or her flight instructor certificate; or
- (iii) A person authorized by the Administrator to provide ground training or flight training under SFAR No. 58, or part 61, 121, 135, or 142 of this chapter when conducting ground training or flight training in accordance with that authority.
 - (3) Cross-country time means—
- (i) Except as provided in paragraphs (b)(3)(ii) through (b)(3)(vi) of this section, time acquired during flight—
- (A) Conducted by a person who holds a pilot certificate;
 - (B) Conducted in an aircraft;
- (C) That includes a landing at a point other than the point of departure; and
- (D) That involves the use of dead reckoning, pilotage, electronic navigation aids, radio aids, or other navigation systems to navigate to the landing point.
- (ii) For the purpose of meeting the aeronautical experience requirements

(except for a rotorcraft category rating), for a private pilot certificate (except for a powered parachute category rating), a commercial pilot certificate, or an instrument rating, or for the purpose of exercising recreational pilot privileges (except in a rotorcraft) under §61.101 (c), time acquired during a flight-

- (A) Conducted in an appropriate aircraft;
- (B) That includes a point of landing that was at least a straight-line distance of more than 50 nautical miles from the original point of departure; and
- (C) That involves the use of dead reckoning, pilotage, electronic navigation aids, radio aids, or other navigation systems to navigate to the landing point.
- (iii) For the purpose of meeting the aeronautical experience requirements for a sport pilot certificate (except for powered parachute privileges), time acquired during a flight conducted in an appropriate aircraft that-

(A) Includes a point of landing at least a straight line distance of more than 25 nautical miles from the origi-

nal point of departure; and

(B) Involves, as applicable, the use of dead reckoning; pilotage; electronic navigation aids; radio aids; or other navigation systems to navigate to the landing point.

- (iv) For the purpose of meeting the aeronautical experience requirements for a sport pilot certificate with powered parachute privileges or a private pilot certificate with a powered parachute category rating, time acquired during a flight conducted in an appropriate aircraft that-
- (A) Includes a point of landing at least a straight line distance of more than 15 nautical miles from the original point of departure; and
- (B) Involves, as applicable, the use of dead reckoning; pilotage; electronic navigation aids; radio aids; or other navigation systems to navigate to the landing point.
- (v) For the purpose of meeting the aeronautical experience requirements for any pilot certificate with a rotorcraft category rating or an instrumenthelicopter rating, or for the purpose of exercising recreational pilot privileges,

in a rotorcraft, under §61.101(c), time acquired during a flight-

- (A) Conducted in an appropriate aircraft;
- (B) That includes a point of landing that was at least a straight-line distance of more than 25 nautical miles from the original point of departure;
- (C) That involves the use of dead reckoning, pilotage, electronic navigation aids, radio aids, or other navigation systems to navigate to the landing point.
- (vi) For the purpose of meeting the aeronautical experience requirements for an airline transport pilot certificate (except with a rotorcraft category rating), time acquired during a flight-
- (A) Conducted in an appropriate air-
- (B) That is at least a straight-line distance of more than 50 nautical miles from the original point of departure; and
- (C) That involves the use of dead reckoning, pilotage, electronic navigation aids, radio aids, or other navigation systems.
- (vii) For a military pilot who qualifies for a commercial pilot certificate (except with a rotorcraft category rating) under §61.73 of this part, time acquired during a flight-
- (A) Conducted in an appropriate aircraft;
- (B) That is at least a straight-line distance of more than 50 nautical miles from the original point of departure;
- (C) That involves the use of dead reckoning, pilotage, electronic navigation aids, radio aids, or other navigation systems.
- (4) Examiner means any person who is authorized by the Administrator to conduct a pilot proficiency test or a practical test for an airman certificate or rating issued under this part, or a person who is authorized to conduct a knowledge test under this part.
- (5) Flight simulator means a device that-
- (i) Is a full-size aircraft cockpit replica of a specific type of aircraft, or make, model, and series of aircraft;

- (ii) Includes the hardware and software necessary to represent the aircraft in ground operations and flight operations;
- (iii) Uses a force cueing system that provides cues at least equivalent to those cues provided by a 3 degree freedom of motion system;
- (iv) Uses a visual system that provides at least a 45 degree horizontal field of view and a 30 degree vertical field of view simultaneously for each pilot; and

(v) Has been evaluated, qualified, and approved by the Administrator.

- (6) Flight training means that training, other than ground training, received from an authorized instructor in flight in an aircraft.
- (7) Flight training device means a device that—
- (i) Is a full-size replica of the instruments, equipment, panels, and controls of an aircraft, or set of aircraft, in an open flight deck area or in an enclosed cockpit, including the hardware and software for the systems installed, that is necessary to simulate the aircraft in ground and flight operations;
- (ii) Need not have a force (motion) cueing or visual system; and
- (iii) Has been evaluated, qualified, and approved by the Administrator.
- (8) *Ground training* means that training, other than flight training, received from an authorized instructor.
- (9) *Instrument approach* means an approach procedure defined in part 97 of this chapter.
- (10) *Instrument training* means that time in which instrument training is received from an authorized instructor under actual or simulated instrument conditions.
- (11) Knowledge test means a test on the aeronautical knowledge areas required for an airman certificate or rating that can be administered in written form or by a computer.
- (12) *Pilot time* means that time in which a person—
- (i) Serves as a required pilot flight crewmember;
- (ii) Receives training from an authorized instructor in an aircraft, flight simulator, or flight training device; or
- (iii) Gives training as an authorized instructor in an aircraft, flight simulator, or flight training device.

- (13) Practical test means a test on the areas of operations for an airman certificate, rating, or authorization that is conducted by having the applicant respond to questions and demonstrate maneuvers in flight, in a flight simulator, or in a flight training device.
- (14) Set of aircraft means aircraft that share similar performance characteristics, such as similar airspeed and altitude operating envelopes, similar handling characteristics, and the same number and type of propulsion systems
- (15) Student pilot seeking a sport pilot certificate means a person who has received an endorsement—
- (i) To exercise student pilot privileges from a certificated flight instructor with a sport pilot rating; or
- (ii) That includes a limitation for the operation of a light-sport aircraft specified in §61.89(c) issued by a certificated flight instructor with other than a sport pilot rating.
- (16) *Training time* means training received—
- (i) In flight from an authorized instructor;
- (ii) On the ground from an authorized instructor; or
- (iii) In a flight simulator or flight training device from an authorized instructor.

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§61.3 Requirement for certificates, ratings, and authorizations.

- (a) *Pilot certificate.* A person may not act as pilot in command or in any other capacity as a required pilot flight crewmember of a civil aircraft of U.S. registry, unless that person—
- (1) Has a valid pilot certificate or special purpose pilot authorization issued under this part in that person's physical possession or readily accessible in the aircraft when exercising the privileges of that pilot certificate or authorization. However, when the aircraft is operated within a foreign country, a current pilot license issued by the country in which the aircraft is operated may be used; and
- (2) Has a photo identification that is in that person's physical possession or readily accessible in the aircraft when

exercising the privileges of that pilot certificate or authorization. The photo identification must be a:

- (i) Valid driver's license issued by a State, the District of Columbia, or territory or possession of the United States:
- (ii) Government identification card issued by the Federal government, a State, the District of Columbia, or a territory or possession of the United States;
- (iii) U.S. Armed Forces' identification card;
 - (iv) Official passport;
- (v) Credential that authorizes unescorted access to a security identification display area at an airport regulated under 49 CFR part 1542; or
- (vi) Other form of identification that the Administrator finds acceptable.
- (b) Required pilot certificate for operating a foreign-registered aircraft. A person may not act as pilot in command or in any other capacity as a required pilot flight crewmember of a civil aircraft of foreign registry within the United States, unless that person's pilot certificate:
- (1) Is valid and in that person's physical possession, or readily accessible in the aircraft when exercising the privileges of that pilot certificate; and
- (2) Has been issued under this part, or has been issued or validated by the country in which the aircraft is registered.
- (c) Medical certificate. (1) Except as provided for in paragraph (c)(2) of this section, a person may not act as pilot in command or in any other capacity as a required pilot flight crewmember of an aircraft, under a certificate issued to that person under this part, unless that person has a current and appropriate medical certificate that has been issued under part 67 of this chapter, or other documentation acceptable to the Administrator, which is in that person's physical possession or readily accessible in the aircraft.
- (2) A person is not required to meet the requirements of paragraph (c)(1) of this section if that person—
- (i) Is exercising the privileges of a student pilot certificate while seeking a pilot certificate with a glider category rating, a balloon class rating, or glider or balloon privileges;

- (ii) Is exercising the privileges of a student pilot certificate while seeking a sport pilot certificate with other than glider or balloon privileges and holds a current and valid U.S. driver's license:
- (iii) Is exercising the privileges of a student pilot certificate while seeking a pilot certificate with a weight-shift-control aircraft category rating or a powered parachute category rating and holds a current and valid U.S. driver's license:
- (iv) Is exercising the privileges of a sport pilot certificate with glider or balloon privileges;
- (v) Is exercising the privileges of a sport pilot certificate with other than glider or balloon privileges and holds a current and valid U.S. driver's license. A person who has applied for or held a medical certificate may exercise the privileges of a sport pilot certificate using a current and valid U.S. driver's license only if that person—
- (A) Has been found eligible for the issuance of at least a third-class airman medical certificate at the time of his or her most recent application; and
- (B) Has not had his or her most recently issued medical certificate suspended or revoked or most recent Authorization for a Special Issuance of a Medical Certificate withdrawn.
- (vi) Is holding a pilot certificate with a balloon class rating and is piloting or providing training in a balloon as appropriate;
- (vii) Is holding a pilot certificate or a flight instructor certificate with a glider category rating, and is piloting or providing training in a glider, as appropriate;
- (viii) Except as provided in paragraph (c)(2)(vii) of this section, is exercising the privileges of a flight instructor certificate, provided the person is not acting as pilot in command or as a required pilot flight crewmember;
- (ix) Is exercising the privileges of a ground instructor certificate;
- (x) Is operating an aircraft within a foreign country using a pilot license issued by that country and possesses evidence of current medical qualification for that license; or
- (xi) Is operating an aircraft with a U.S. pilot certificate, issued on the basis of a foreign pilot license, issued

under §61.75 of this part, and holds a current medical certificate issued by the foreign country that issued the foreign pilot license, which is in that person's physical possession or readily accessible in the aircraft when exercising the privileges of that airman certificate.

- (d) Flight instructor certificate. (1) A person who holds a flight instructor certificate issued under this part must have that certificate, or other documentation acceptable to the Administrator, in that person's physical possession or readily accessible in the aircraft when exercising the privileges of that flight instructor certificate.
- (2) Except as provided in paragraph (d)(3) of this section, no person other than the holder of a flight instructor certificate issued under this part with the appropriate rating on that certificate may—
- (i) Give training required to qualify a person for solo flight and solo crosscountry flight;

(ii) Endorse an applicant for a-

- (A) Pilot certificate or rating issued under this part;
- (B) Flight instructor certificate or rating issued under this part; or
- (C) Ground instructor certificate or rating issued under this part;
- (iii) Endorse a pilot logbook to show training given; or
- (iv) Endorse a student pilot certificate and logbook for solo operating privileges.
- (3) A flight instructor certificate issued under this part is not nec-
- (i) Under paragraph (d)(2) of this section, if the training is given by the holder of a commercial pilot certificate with a lighter-than-air rating, provided the training is given in accordance with the privileges of the certificate in a lighter-than-air aircraft;
- (ii) Under paragraph (d)(2) of this section, if the training is given by the holder of an airline transport pilot certificate with a rating appropriate to the aircraft in which the training is given, provided the training is given in accordance with the privileges of the certificate and conducted in accordance with an approved air carrier training program approved under part 121 or part 135 of this chapter;

- (iii) Under paragraph (d)(2) of this section, if the training is given by a person who is qualified in accordance with subpart C of part 142 of this chapter, provided the training is conducted in accordance with an approved part 142 training program;
- (iv) Under paragraphs (d)(2)(i), (d)(2)(ii)(C), and (d)(2)(iii) of this section, if the training is given by the holder of a ground instructor certificate in accordance with the privileges of the certificate; or
- (v) Under paragraph (d)(2)(iii) of this section, if the training is given by an authorized flight instructor under §61.41 of this part.
- (e) *Instrument rating.* No person may act as pilot in command of a civil aircraft under IFR or in weather conditions less than the minimums prescribed for VFR flight unless that person holds:
- (1) The appropriate aircraft category, class, type (if required), and instrument rating on that person's pilot certificate for any airplane, helicopter, or powered-lift being flown;
- (2) An airline transport pilot certificate with the appropriate aircraft category, class, and type rating (if required) for the aircraft being flown;
- (3) For a glider, a pilot certificate with a glider category rating and an airplane instrument rating; or
- (4) For an airship, a commercial pilot certificate with a lighter-than-air category rating and airship class rating.
- (f) Category II pilot authorization. Except for a pilot conducting Category II operations under part 121 or part 135, a person may not:
- (1) Act as pilot in command of a civil aircraft during Category II operations unless that person—
- (i) Holds a current Category II pilot authorization for that category or class of aircraft, and the type of aircraft, if applicable; or
- (ii) In the case of a civil aircraft of foreign registry, is authorized by the country of registry to act as pilot in command of that aircraft in Category II operations.
- (2) Act as second in command of a civil aircraft during Category II operations unless that person—

- (i) Holds a valid pilot certificate with category and class ratings for that aircraft and a current instrument rating for that category aircraft;
- (ii) Holds an airline transport pilot certificate with category and class ratings for that aircraft; or
- (iii) In the case of a civil aircraft of foreign registry, is authorized by the country of registry to act as second in command of that aircraft during Category II operations.
- (g) Category III pilot authorization. Except for a pilot conducting Category III operations under part 121 or part 135, a person may not:
- (1) Act as pilot in command of a civil aircraft during Category III operations unless that person—
- (i) Holds a current Category III pilot authorization for that category or class of aircraft, and the type of aircraft, if applicable; or
- (ii) In the case of a civil aircraft of foreign registry, is authorized by the country of registry to act as pilot in command of that aircraft in Category III operations.
- (2) Act as second in command of a civil aircraft during Category III operations unless that person—
- (i) Holds a valid pilot certificate with category and class ratings for that aircraft and a current instrument rating for that category aircraft;
- (ii) Holds an airline transport pilot certificate with category and class ratings for that aircraft; or
- (iii) In the case of a civil aircraft of foreign registry, is authorized by the country of registry to act as second in command of that aircraft during Category III operations.
- (h) Category A aircraft pilot authorization. The Administrator may issue a certificate of authorization for a Category II or Category III operation to the pilot of a small aircraft that is a Category A aircraft, as identified in §97.3(b)(1) of this chapter if:
- (1) The Administrator determines that the Category II or Category III operation can be performed safely by that pilot under the terms of the certificate of authorization; and
- (2) The Category II or Category III operation does not involve the carriage of persons or property for compensation or hire.

- (i) Ground instructor certificate. (1) Each person who holds a ground instructor certificate issued under this part or part 143 must have that certificate in that person's physical possession or immediately accessible when exercising the privileges of that certificate.
- (2) Except as provided in paragraph (i)(3) of this section, no person other than the holder of a ground instructor certificate, issued under this part or part 143, with the appropriate rating on that certificate may—
- (i) Give ground training required to qualify a person for solo flight and solo cross-country flight;
- (ii) Endorse an applicant for a knowledge test required for a pilot, flight instructor, or ground instructor certificate or rating issued under this part; or
- (iii) Endorse a pilot logbook to show ground training given.
- (3) A ground instructor certificate issued under this part is not necessary—
- (i) Under paragraph (i)(2) of this section, if the training is given by the holder of a flight instructor certificate issued under this part in accordance with the privileges of that certificate;
- (ii) Under paragraph (i)(2) of this section, if the training is given by the holder of a commercial pilot certificate with a lighter-than-air rating, provided the training is given in accordance with the privileges of the certificate in a lighter-than-air aircraft;
- (iii) Under paragraph (i)(2) of this section, if the training is given by the holder of an airline transport pilot certificate with a rating appropriate to the aircraft in which the training is given, provided the training is given in accordance with the privileges of the certificate and conducted in accordance with an approved air carrier training program approved under part 121 or part 135 of this chapter;
- (iv) Under paragraph (i)(2) of this section, if the training is given by a person who is qualified in accordance with subpart C of part 142 of this chapter, provided the training is conducted in accordance with an approved part 142 training program; or
- (v) Under paragraph (i)(2)(iii) of this section, if the training is given by an

authorized flight instructor under §61.41 of this part.

- (j) Age limitation for certain operations—(1) Age limitation. Except as provided in paragraph (j)(3) of this section, no person who holds a pilot certificate issued under this part shall serve as a pilot on a civil airplane of U.S. registry in the following operations if the person has reached his or her 60th birth-day—
- (i) Scheduled international air services carrying passengers in turbojet-powered airplanes;
- (ii) Scheduled international air services carrying passengers in airplanes having a passenger-seat configuration of more than nine passenger seats, excluding each crewmember seat;
- (iii) Nonscheduled international air transportation for compensation or hire in airplanes having a passenger-seat configuration of more than 30 passenger seats, excluding each crewmember seat; or
- (iv) Scheduled international air services, or nonscheduled international air transportation for compensation or hire, in airplanes having a payload capacity of more than 7,500 pounds.
- (2) Definitions. (i) "International air service," as used in paragraph (j) of this section, means scheduled air service performed in airplanes for the public transport of passengers, mail, or cargo, in which the service passes through the airspace over the territory of more than one country.
- (ii) "International air transportation," as used in paragraph (j) of this section, means air transportation performed in airplanes for the public transport of passengers, mail, or cargo, in which the service passes through the airspace over the territory of more than one country.
- (3) Delayed pilot age limitation. Until December 20, 1999, a person may serve as a pilot in operations covered by this paragraph after that person has reached his or her 60th birthday if, on March 20, 1997, that person was employed as a pilot in operations covered by this paragraph.
- (k) Special purpose pilot authorization. Any person that is required to hold a special purpose pilot authorization, issued in accordance with §61.77 of this part, must have that authorization and

- the person's foreign pilot license in that person's physical possession or have it readily accessible in the aircraft when exercising the privileges of that authorization.
- (l) Inspection of certificate. Each person who holds an airman certificate, medical certificate, authorization, or license required by this part must present it and their photo identification as described in paragraph (a)(2) of this section for inspection upon a request from:
 - (1) The Administrator;
- (2) An authorized representative of the National Transportation Safety Board;
- (3) Any Federal, State, or local law enforcement officer; or
- (4) An authorized representative of the Transportation Security Administration.

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§61.4 Qualification and approval of flight simulators and flight training

- (a) Except as specified in paragraph (b) or (c) of this section, each flight simulator and flight training device used for training, and for which an airman is to receive credit to satisfy any training, testing, or checking requirement under this chapter, must be qualified and approved by the Administrator for—
- (1) The training, testing, and checking for which it is used;
- (2) Each particular maneuver, procedure, or crewmember function performed; and
- (3) The representation of the specific category and class of aircraft, type of aircraft, particular variation within the type of aircraft, or set of aircraft for certain flight training devices.
- (b) Any device used for flight training, testing, or checking that has been determined to be acceptable to or approved by the Administrator prior to August 1, 1996, which can be shown to function as originally designed, is considered to be a flight training device,

provided it is used for the same purposes for which it was originally accepted or approved and only to the extent of such acceptance or approval.

(c) The Administrator may approve a device other than a flight simulator or flight training device for specific purposes.

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§61.5 Certificates and ratings issued under this part.

- The following certificates are issued under this part to an applicant who satisfactorily accomplishes the training and certification requirements for the certificate sought:
 - (1) Pilot certificates
 - (i) Student pilot.
 - (ii) Sport pilot.
 - (iii) Recreational pilot.
 - (iv) Private pilot.
 - (v) Commercial pilot.
 - (vi) Airline transport pilot.
 - (2) Flight instructor certificates.
- (3) Ground instructor certificates.
- (b) The following ratings are placed on a pilot certificate (other than student pilot) when an applicant satisfactorily accomplishes the training and certification requirements for the rating sought:
 - (1) Aircraft category ratings—
 - (i) Airplane.
 - (ii) Rotorcraft.
 - (iii) Glider.
 - (iv) Lighter-than-air.
 - (v) Powered-lift.
 - (vi) Powered parachute.
 - (vii) Weight-shift-control aircraft.
 - (2) Airplane class ratings-
 - (i) Single-engine land.
 - (ii) Multiengine land.
 - (iii) Single-engine sea.
 - (iv) Multiengine sea.
 - (3) Rotorcraft class ratings—
 - (i) Helicopter.
 - (ii) Gyroplane.
 - (4) Lighter-than-air class ratings—
 - (i) Airship.
 - (ii) Balloon.
- (5) Weight-shift-control aircraft class ratings
 - (i) Weight-shift-control aircraft land. (ii) Weight-shift-control aircraft sea.
- (6) Powered parachute class ratings-
- (i) Powered parachute land.
- (ii) Powered parachute sea.

- (7) Aircraft type ratings—
- (i) Large aircraft other than lighterthan-air.
 - (ii) Turbojet-powered airplanes.
- (iii) Other aircraft type ratings specified by the Administrator through the aircraft type certification procedures.
- (iv) Second-in-command pilot type rating for aircraft that is certificated for operations with a minimum crew of at least two pilots.
- (8) Instrument ratings (on private and commercial pilot certificates only)-
 - (i) Instrument—Airplane.
 - (ii) Instrument—Helicopter.
 - (iii) Instrument—Powered-lift.
- (c) The following ratings are placed on a flight instructor certificate when an applicant satisfactorily accomplishes the training and certification requirements for the rating sought:
 - (1) Aircraft category ratings-
 - (i) Airplane.
 - (ii) Rotorcraft.
 - (iii) Glider.
 - (iv) Powered-lift.
 - (2) Airplane class ratings—
 - (i) Single-engine.
 - (ii) Multiengine.
 - (3) Rotorcraft class ratings—
 - (i) Helicopter.
 - (ii) Gyroplane.
- (4) Instrument ratings—
- (i) Instrument—Airplane.
- (ii) Instrument—Helicopter.
- (iii) Instrument—Powered-lift.
- (5) Sport pilot rating.
- (d) The following ratings are placed on a ground instructor certificate when an applicant satisfactorily accomplishes the training and certification requirements for the rating sought:
 - (1) Basic.
 - (2) Advanced.
 - (3) Instrument.

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§61.7 Obsolete certificates and ratings.

(a) The holder of a free-balloon pilot certificate issued before November 1, 1973, may not exercise the privileges of that certificate.

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- (b) The holder of a pilot certificate that bears any of the following category ratings without an associated class rating may not exercise the privileges of that category rating:
 - (1) Rotorcraft.
 - (2) Lighter-than-air.
 - (3) Helicopter.
 - (4) Autogyro.

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§61.11 Expired pilot certificates and reissuance.

- (a) No person who holds an expired pilot certificate or rating may:
- (1) Exercise the privileges of that pilot certificate or rating; or
- (2) Act as pilot in command or as a required pilot flight crewmember of an aircraft of the same category and class specified on the expired pilot certificate or rating.
- (b) The following pilot certificates and ratings have expired and will not be reissued:
- (1) An airline transport pilot certificate issued before May 1, 1949, or an airline transport pilot certificate that contains a horsepower limitation;
- (2) A private or commercial pilot certificate issued before July 1, 1945; and
- (3) A pilot certificate with a lighterthan-air or free-balloon rating issued before July 1, 1945.
- (c) A pilot certificate issued on the basis of a foreign pilot license will expire on the date the foreign license expires unless otherwise specified on the U.S. pilot certificate. A certificate without an expiration date is issued to the holder of the expired certificate only if that person meets the requirements of §61.75 for the issuance of a pilot certificate based on a foreign pilot license.
- (d) An airline transport pilot certificate issued after April 30, 1949, that bears an expiration date but does not contain a horsepower limitation may be reissued without an expiration date.
- (e) A private or commercial pilot certificate issued after June 30, 1945, that bears an expiration date may be reissued without an expiration date.
- (f) A pilot certificate with a lighterthan-air or free-balloon rating issued after June 30, 1945, that bears an expi-

ration date may be reissued without an expiration date.

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§61.13 Issuance of airman certificates, ratings, and authorizations.

- (a) *Application.* (1) An applicant for an airman certificate, rating, or authorization under this part must make that application on a form and in a manner acceptable to the Administrator.
- (2) An applicant who is neither a citizen of the United States nor a resident alien of the United States—
- (i) Must show evidence that the appropriate fee prescribed in appendix A to part 187 of this chapter has been paid when that person applies for a—
- (A) Student pilot certificate that is issued outside the United States; or
- (B) Knowledge test or practical test for an airman certificate or rating issued under this part, if the test is administered outside the United States.
- (ii) May be refused issuance of any U.S. airman certificate, rating, or authorization by the Administrator.
- (3) Except as provided in paragraph (a)(2)(ii) of this section, an applicant who satisfactorily accomplishes the training and certification requirements for the certificate, rating, or authorization sought is entitled to receive that airman certificate, rating, or authorization.
- (b) *Limitations.* (1) An applicant who cannot comply with certain areas of operation required on the practical test because of physical limitations may be issued an airman certificate, rating, or authorization with the appropriate limitation placed on the applicant's airman certificate provided the—
- (i) Applicant is able to meet all other certification requirements for the airman certificate, rating, or authorization sought;
- (ii) Physical limitation has been recorded with the FAA on the applicant's medical records; and
- (iii) Administrator determines that the applicant's inability to perform the particular area of operation will not adversely affect safety.
- (2) A limitation placed on a person's airman certificate may be removed, provided that person demonstrates for

an examiner satisfactory proficiency in the area of operation appropriate to the airman certificate, rating, or authorization sought.

- (c) Additional requirements for Category II and Category III pilot authorizations. (1) A Category II or Category III pilot authorization is issued by a letter of authorization as part of an applicant's instrument rating or airline transport pilot certificate.
- (2) Upon original issue, the authorization contains the following limitations:
- (i) For Category II operations, the limitation is 1,600 feet RVR and a 150-foot decision height; and
- (ii) For Category III operations, each initial limitation is specified in the authorization document.
- (3) The limitations on a Category II or Category III pilot authorization may be removed as follows:
- (i) In the case of Category II limitations, a limitation is removed when the holder shows that, since the beginning of the sixth preceding month, the holder has made three Category II ILS approaches with a 150-foot decision height to a landing under actual or simulated instrument conditions.
- (ii) In the case of Category III limitations, a limitation is removed as specified in the authorization.
- (4) To meet the experience requirements of paragraph (c)(3) of this section, and for the practical test required by this part for a Category II or a Category III pilot authorization, a flight simulator or flight training device may be used if it is approved by the Administrator for such use.
- (d) Application during suspension or revocation. (1) Unless otherwise authorized by the Administrator, a person whose pilot, flight instructor, or ground instructor certificate has been suspended may not apply for any certificate, rating, or authorization during the period of suspension.
- (2) Unless otherwise authorized by the Administrator, a person whose pilot, flight instructor, or ground instructor certificate has been revoked may not apply for any certificate, rating, or authorization for 1 year after the date of revocation.

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§61.14 Refusal to submit to a drug or alcohol test.

- (a) This section applies to an employee who performs a function listed in appendix I to part 121 or appendix J to part 121 of this chapter directly or by contract for a part 121 air carrier, a part 135 air carrier, or for a person conducting operations as specified in §135.1(a)(5) of this chapter.
- (b) Refusal by the holder of a certificate issued under this part to take a drug test required under the provisions of appendix I to part 121 or an alcohol test required under the provisions of appendix J to part 121 is grounds for:
- (1) Denial of an application for any certificate, rating, or authorization issued under this part for a period of up to 1 year after the date of such refusal; and
- (2) Suspension or revocation of any certificate, rating, or authorization issued under this part.

§61.15 Offenses involving alcohol or drugs.

- (a) A conviction for the violation of any Federal or State statute relating to the growing, processing, manufacture, sale, disposition, possession, transportation, or importation of narcotic drugs, marijuana, or depressant or stimulant drugs or substances is grounds for:
- (1) Denial of an application for any certificate, rating, or authorization issued under this part for a period of up to 1 year after the date of final conviction; or
- (2) Suspension or revocation of any certificate, rating, or authorization issued under this part.
- (b) Committing an act prohibited by §91.17(a) or §91.19(a) of this chapter is grounds for:
- (1) Denial of an application for a certificate, rating, or authorization issued under this part for a period of up to 1 year after the date of that act; or
- (2) Suspension or revocation of any certificate, rating, or authorization issued under this part.
- (c) For the purposes of paragraphs (d), (e), and (f) of this section, a motor vehicle action means:
- (1) A conviction after November 29, 1990, for the violation of any Federal or State statute relating to the operation

of a motor vehicle while intoxicated by alcohol or a drug, while impaired by alcohol or a drug, or while under the influence of alcohol or a drug;

- (2) The cancellation, suspension, or revocation of a license to operate a motor vehicle after November 29, 1990, for a cause related to the operation of a motor vehicle while intoxicated by alcohol or a drug, while impaired by alcohol or a drug, or while under the influence of alcohol or a drug; or
- (3) The denial after November 29, 1990, of an application for a license to operate a motor vehicle for a cause related to the operation of a motor vehicle while intoxicated by alcohol or a drug, while impaired by alcohol or a drug, or while under the influence of alcohol or a drug.
- (d) Except for a motor vehicle action that results from the same incident or arises out of the same factual circumstances, a motor vehicle action occurring within 3 years of a previous motor vehicle action is grounds for:
- (1) Denial of an application for any certificate, rating, or authorization issued under this part for a period of up to 1 year after the date of the last motor vehicle action; or
- (2) Suspension or revocation of any certificate, rating, or authorization issued under this part.
- (e) Each person holding a certificate issued under this part shall provide a written report of each motor vehicle action to the FAA, Civil Aviation Security Division (AMC-700), P.O. Box 25810, Oklahoma City, OK 73125, not later than 60 days after the motor vehicle action. The report must include:
- (1) The person's name, address, date of birth, and airman certificate number;
- (2) The type of violation that resulted in the conviction or the administrative action:
- (3) The date of the conviction or administrative action;
- (4) The State that holds the record of conviction or administrative action; and
- (5) A statement of whether the motor vehicle action resulted from the same incident or arose out of the same factual circumstances related to a previously reported motor vehicle action.

- (f) Failure to comply with paragraph (e) of this section is grounds for:
- (1) Denial of an application for any certificate, rating, or authorization issued under this part for a period of up to 1 year after the date of the motor vehicle action; or
- (2) Suspension or revocation of any certificate, rating, or authorization issued under this part.

§61.16 Refusal to submit to an alcohol test or to furnish test results.

A refusal to submit to a test to indicate the percentage by weight of alcohol in the blood, when requested by a law enforcement officer in accordance with §91.17(c) of this chapter, or a refusal to furnish or authorize the release of the test results requested by the Administrator in accordance with §91.17(c) or (d) of this chapter, is grounds for:

- (a) Denial of an application for any certificate, rating, or authorization issued under this part for a period of up to 1 year after the date of that refusal;
- (b) Suspension or revocation of any certificate, rating, or authorization issued under this part.

§61.17 Temporary certificate.

- (a) A temporary pilot, flight instructor, or ground instructor certificate or rating is issued for up to 120 days, at which time a permanent certificate will be issued to a person whom the Administrator finds qualified under this part.
- (b) A temporary pilot, flight instructor, or ground instructor certificate or rating expires:
- (1) On the expiration date shown on the certificate;
- (2) Upon receipt of the permanent certificate; or
- (3) Upon receipt of a notice that the certificate or rating sought is denied or revoked.

§61.18 Security disqualification.

(a) Eligibility standard. No person is eligible to hold a certificate, rating, or authorization issued under this part when the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) has notified the FAA in writing that the person poses a security threat.

- (b) Effect of the issuance by the TSA of an Initial Notification of Threat Assessment. (1) The FAA will hold in abeyance pending the outcome of the TSA's final threat assessment review an application for any certificate, rating, or authorization under this part by any person who has been issued an Initial Notification of Threat Assessment by the TSA.
- (2) The FAA will suspend any certificate, rating, or authorization issued under this part after the TSA issues to the holder an Initial Notification of Threat Assessment.
- (c) Effect of the issuance by the TSA of a Final Notification of Threat Assessment.
 (1) The FAA will deny an application for any certificate, rating, or authorization under this part to any person who has been issued a Final Notification of Threat Assessment.
- (2) The FAA will revoke any certificate, rating, or authorization issued under this part after the TSA has issued to the holder a Final Notification of Threat Assessment.

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§61.19 Duration of pilot and instructor certificates.

- (a) *General.* The holder of a certificate with an expiration date may not, after that date, exercise the privileges of that certificate.
- (b) Student pilot certificate. A student pilot certificate expires 24 calendar months from the month in which it is issued.
- (c) Other pilot certificates. A pilot certificate (other than a student pilot certificate) issued under this part is issued without a specific expiration date. The holder of a pilot certificate issued on the basis of a foreign pilot license may exercise the privileges of that certificate only while that person's foreign pilot license is effective.
- (d) Flight instructor certificate. A flight instructor certificate:
- (1) Is effective only while the holder has a current pilot certificate; and
- (2) Except as specified in §61.197(b) of this part, expires 24 calendar months from the month in which it was issued or renewed.
- (e) Ground instructor certificate. A ground instructor certificate issued

- under this part is issued without a specific expiration date.
- (f) Surrender, suspension, or revocation. Any certificate issued under this part ceases to be effective if it is surrendered, suspended, or revoked.
- (g) Return of certificates. The holder of any certificate issued under this part that has been suspended or revoked must return that certificate to the FAA when requested to do so by the Administrator.

§61.21 Duration of a Category II and a Category III pilot authorization (for other than part 121 and part 135 use).

- (a) A Category II pilot authorization or a Category III pilot authorization expires at the end of the sixth calendar month after the month in which it was issued or renewed.
- (b) Upon passing a practical test for a Category II or Category III pilot authorization, the authorization may be renewed for each type of aircraft for which the authorization is held.
- (c) A Category II or Category III pilot authorization for a specific type aircraft for which an authorization is held will not be renewed beyond 12 calendar months from the month the practical test was accomplished in that type aircraft.
- (d) If the holder of a Category II or Category III pilot authorization passes the practical test for a renewal in the month before the authorization expires, the holder is considered to have passed it during the month the authorization expired.

§61.23 Medical certificates: Requirement and duration.

- (a) Operations requiring a medical certificate. Except as provided in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section, a person—
- (1) Must hold a first-class medical certificate when exercising the privileges of an airline transport pilot certificate;
- (2) Must hold at least a second-class medical certificate when exercising the privileges of a commercial pilot certificate; or
- (3) Must hold at least a third-class medical certificate—
- (i) When exercising the privileges of a private pilot certificate;

(ii) When exercising the privileges of a recreational pilot certificate;

(iii) When exercising the privileges of

a student pilot certificate;

- (iv) When exercising the privileges of a flight instructor certificate, except for a flight instructor certificate with a glider category rating or sport pilot rating, if the person is acting as pilot in command or is serving as a required flight crewmember; or
- (v) Except for a glider category rating or a balloon class rating, prior to taking a practical test that is performed in an aircraft for a certificate or rating at the recreational, private, commercial, or airline transport pilot certificate level.
- (b) Operations not requiring a medical certificate. A person is not required to hold a valid medical certificate—
- (1) When exercising the privileges of a student pilot certificate while seeking—
- (i) A sport pilot certificate with glider or balloon privileges; or
- (ii) A pilot certificate with a glider category rating or balloon class rating;
- (2) When exercising the privileges of a sport pilot certificate with privileges in a glider or balloon;
- (3) When exercising the privileges of a pilot certificate with a glider category or balloon class rating;
- (4) When exercising the privileges of a flight instructor certificate with—
- (i) A sport pilot rating in a glider or balloon; or
 - (ii) A glider category rating;
- (5) When exercising the privileges of a flight instructor certificate if the person is not acting as pilot in command or serving as a required pilot flight crewmember;

(6) When exercising the privileges of a ground instructor certificate;

- (7) When serving as an examiner or check airman during the administration of a test or check for a certificate, rating, or authorization conducted in a flight simulator or flight training device; or
- (8) When taking a test or check for a certificate, rating, or authorization conducted in a flight simulator or flight training device.
- (c) Operations requiring either a medical certificate or U.S. driver's license. (1) A person must hold and possess either

a valid medical certificate issued under part 67 of this chapter or a current and valid U.S. driver's license when exercising the privileges of—

- (i) A student pilot certificate while seeking sport pilot privileges in a light-sport aircraft other than a glider or balloon;
- (ii) A sport pilot certificate in a light-sport aircraft other than a glider or balloon; or
- (iii) A flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating while acting as pilot in command or serving as a required flight crewmember of a light-sport aircraft other than a glider or balloon.
- (2) A person using a current and valid U.S. driver's license to meet the requirements of this paragraph must—
- (i) Comply with each restriction and limitation imposed by that person's U.S. driver's license and any judicial or administrative order applying to the operation of a motor vehicle;
- (ii) Have been found eligible for the issuance of at least a third-class airman medical certificate at the time of his or her most recent application (if the person has applied for a medical certificate);
- (iii) Not have had his or her most recently issued medical certificate (if the person has held a medical certificate) suspended or revoked or most recent Authorization for a Special Issuance of a Medical Certificate withdrawn; and
- (iv) Not know or have reason to know of any medical condition that would make that person unable to operate a light-sport aircraft in a safe manner.

(d) *Duration of a medical certificate.* (1) A first-class medical certificate expires

at the end of the last day of-

(i) The sixth month after the month of the date of examination shown on the certificate for operations requiring an airline transport pilot certificate;

- (ii) The 12th month after the month of the date of examination shown on the certificate for operations requiring a commercial pilot certificate or an air traffic control tower operator certificate: and
- (iii) The period specified in paragraph (c)(3) of this section for operations requiring a recreational pilot certificate, a private pilot certificate, a flight instructor certificate (when acting as

pilot in command or a required pilot flight crewmember in operations other than glider or balloon), or a student pilot certificate.

- (2) A second-class medical certificate expires at the end of the last day of—
- (i) The 12th month after the month of the date of examination shown on the certificate for operations requiring a commercial pilot certificate or an air traffic control tower operator certificate; and
- (ii) The period specified in paragraph (c)(3) of this section for operations requiring a recreational pilot certificate, a private pilot certificate, a flight instructor certificate (when acting as pilot in command or a required pilot flight crewmember in operations other than glider or balloon), or a student pilot certificate.
- (3) A third-class medical certificate for operations requiring a recreational pilot certificate, a private pilot certificate, a flight instructor certificate (when acting as pilot in command or a required pilot flight crewmember in operations other than glider or balloon), or a student pilot certificate issued—
- (i) Before September 16, 1996, expires at the end of the 24th month after the month of the date of examination shown on the certificate; or
- (ii) On or after September 16, 1996, expires at the end of:
- (A) The 36th month after the month of the date of the examination shown on the certificate if the person has not reached his or her 40th birthday on or before the date of examination; or
- (B) The 24th month after the month of the date of the examination shown on the certificate if the person has reached his or her 40th birthday on or before the date of the examination.

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§61.25 Change of name.

- (a) An application to change the name on a certificate issued under this part must be accompanied by the applicant's:
 - (1) Current airman certificate; and
- (2) A copy of the marriage license, court order, or other document verifying the name change.

(b) The documents in paragraph (a) of this section will be returned to the applicant after inspection.

§61.27 Voluntary surrender or exchange of certificate.

- (a) The holder of a certificate issued under this part may voluntarily surrender it for:
 - (1) Cancellation:
- (2) Issuance of a lower grade certificate: or
- (3) Another certificate with specific ratings deleted.
- (b) Any request made under paragraph (a) of this section must include the following signed statement or its equivalent: "This request is made for my own reasons, with full knowledge that my (insert name of certificate or rating, as appropriate) may not be reissued to me unless I again pass the tests prescribed for its issuance."

§61.29 Replacement of a lost or destroyed airman or medical certificate or knowledge test report.

- (a) A request for the replacement of a lost or destroyed airman certificate issued under this part must be made by letter to the Department of Transportation, FAA, Airman Certification Branch, P.O. Box 25082, Oklahoma City, OK 73125, and must be accompanied by a check or money order for the appropriate fee payable to the FAA.
- (b) A request for the replacement of a lost or destroyed medical certificate must be made by letter to the Department of Transportation, FAA, Aeromedical Certification Branch, P.O. Box 25082, Oklahoma City, OK 73125, and must be accompanied by a check or money order for the appropriate fee payable to the FAA.
- (c) A request for the replacement of a lost or destroyed knowledge test report must be made by letter to the Department of Transportation, FAA, Airman Certification Branch, P.O. Box 25082, Oklahoma City, OK 73125, and must be accompanied by a check or money order for the appropriate fee payable to the FAA.
- (d) The letter requesting replacement of a lost or destroyed airman certificate, medical certificate, or knowledge test report must state:
- (1) The name of the person;

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- (2) The permanent mailing address (including ZIP code), or if the permanent mailing address includes a post office box number, then the person's current residential address;
 - (3) The social security number;
- (4) The date and place of birth of the certificate holder; and
- (5) Any available information regarding the—
- (i) Grade, number, and date of issuance of the certificate, and the ratings, if applicable;
- (ii) Date of the medical examination, if applicable; and
- (iii) Date the knowledge test was taken, if applicable.
- (e) A person who has lost an airman certificate, medical certificate, or knowledge test report may obtain a facsimile from the FAA Aeromedical Certification Branch or the Airman Certification Branch, as appropriate, confirming that it was issued and the:
- (1) Facsimile may be carried as an airman certificate, medical certificate, or knowledge test report, as appropriate, for up to 60 days pending the person's receipt of a duplicate under paragraph (a), (b), or (c) of this section, unless the person has been notified that the certificate has been suspended or revoked.
- (2) Request for such a facsimile must include the date on which a duplicate certificate or knowledge test report was previously requested.

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§61.31 Type rating requirements, additional training, and authorization requirements.

- (a) *Type ratings required.* A person who acts as a pilot in command of any of the following aircraft must hold a type rating for that aircraft:
- Large aircraft (except lighterthan-air).
 - (2) Turbojet-powered airplanes.
- (3) Other aircraft specified by the Administrator through aircraft type certificate procedures.
- (b) Authorization in lieu of a type rating. A person may be authorized to operate without a type rating for up to 60 days an aircraft requiring a type rating, provided—

- (1) The Administrator has authorized the flight or series of flights;
- (2) The Administrator has determined that an equivalent level of safety can be achieved through the operating limitations on the authorization;
- (3) The person shows that compliance with paragraph (a) of this section is impracticable for the flight or series of flights; and
 - (4) The flight-
- (i) Involves only a ferry flight, training flight, test flight, or practical test for a pilot certificate or rating;
 - (ii) Is within the United States;
- (iii) Does not involve operations for compensation or hire unless the compensation or hire involves payment for the use of the aircraft for training or taking a practical test; and
- (iv) Involves only the carriage of flight crewmembers considered essential for the flight.
- (5) If the flight or series of flights cannot be accomplished within the time limit of the authorization, the Administrator may authorize an additional period of up to 60 days to accomplish the flight or series of flights.
- (c) Aircraft category, class, and type ratings: Limitations on the carriage of persons, or operating for compensation or hire. Unless a person holds a category, class, and type rating (if a class and type rating is required) that applies to the aircraft, that person may not act as pilot in command of an aircraft that is carrying another person, or is operated for compensation or hire. That person also may not act as pilot in command of that aircraft for compensation or hire.
- (d) Aircraft category, class, and type ratings: Limitations on operating an aircraft as the pilot in command. To serve as the pilot in command of an aircraft, a person must—
- (1) Hold the appropriate category, class, and type rating (if a class rating and type rating are required) for the aircraft to be flown;
- (2) Be receiving training for the purpose of obtaining an additional pilot certificate and rating that are appropriate to that aircraft, and be under the supervision of an authorized instructor; or

(3) Have received training required by this part that is appropriate to the aircraft category, class, and type rating (if a class or type rating is required) for the aircraft to be flown, and have received the required endorsements from an instructor who is authorized to provide the required endorsements for solo flight in that aircraft.

(e) Additional training required for operating complex airplanes. (1) Except as provided in paragraph (e)(2) of this section, no person may act as pilot in command of a complex airplane (an airplane that has a retractable landing gear, flaps, and a controllable pitch propeller; or, in the case of a seaplane, flaps and a controllable pitch propeller), unless the person has—

(i) Received and logged ground and flight training from an authorized instructor in a complex airplane, or in a flight simulator or flight training device that is representative of a complex airplane, and has been found proficient in the operation and systems of the airplane; and

(ii) Received a one-time endorsement in the pilot's logbook from an authorized instructor who certifies the person is proficient to operate a complex airplane.

(2) The training and endorsement required by paragraph (e)(1) of this section is not required if the person has logged flight time as pilot in command of a complex airplane, or in a flight simulator or flight training device that is representative of a complex airplane prior to August 4, 1997.

(f) Additional training required for operating high-performance airplanes. (1) Except as provided in paragraph (f)(2) of this section, no person may act as pilot in command of a high-performance airplane (an airplane with an engine of more than 200 horsepower), unless the person has—

(i) Received and logged ground and flight training from an authorized instructor in a high-performance airplane, or in a flight simulator or flight training device that is representative of a high-performance airplane, and has been found proficient in the operation and systems of the airplane; and

(ii) Received a one-time endorsement in the pilot's logbook from an authorized instructor who certifies the person is proficient to operate a high-performance airplane.

- (2) The training and endorsement required by paragraph (f)(1) of this section is not required if the person has logged flight time as pilot in command of a high-performance airplane, or in a flight simulator or flight training device that is representative of a high-performance airplane prior to August 4, 1997
- (g) Additional training required for operating pressurized aircraft capable of operating at high altitudes. (1) Except as provided in paragraph (g)(3) of this section, no person may act as pilot in command of a pressurized aircraft (an aircraft that has a service ceiling or maximum operating altitude, whichever is lower, above 25,000 feet MSL), unless that person has received and logged ground training from an authorized instructor and obtained an endorsement in the person's logbook or training record from an authorized instructor who certifies the person has satisfactorily accomplished the ground training. The ground training must include at least the following subjects:
- (i) High-altitude aerodynamics and meteorology;
 - (ii) Respiration;
- (iii) Effects, symptoms, and causes of hypoxia and any other high-altitude sickness;
- (iv) Duration of consciousness without supplemental oxygen;
- (v) Effects of prolonged usage of supplemental oxygen;
- (vi) Causes and effects of gas expansion and gas bubble formation;
- (vii) Preventive measures for eliminating gas expansion, gas bubble formation, and high-altitude sickness;
- (viii) Physical phenomena and incidents of decompression; and
- (ix) Any other physiological aspects of high-altitude flight.
- (2) Except as provided in paragraph (g)(3) of this section, no person may act as pilot in command of a pressurized aircraft unless that person has received and logged training from an authorized instructor in a pressurized aircraft, or in a flight simulator or flight training device that is representative of a pressurized aircraft, and obtained an endorsement in the person's logbook or

training record from an authorized instructor who found the person proficient in the operation of a pressurized aircraft. The flight training must include at least the following subjects:

- (i) Normal cruise flight operations while operating above 25,000 feet MSL;
- (ii) Proper emergency procedures for simulated rapid decompression without actually depressurizing the aircraft; and
- (iii) Emergency descent procedures.
- (3) The training and endorsement required by paragraphs (g)(1) and (g)(2) of this section are not required if that person can document satisfactory accomplishment of any of the following in a pressurized aircraft, or in a flight simulator or flight training device that is representative of a pressurized aircraft:
- (i) Serving as pilot in command before April 15, 1991;
- (ii) Completing a pilot proficiency check for a pilot certificate or rating before April 15, 1991;
- (iii) Completing an official pilot-incommand check conducted by the military services of the United States; or
- (iv) Completing a pilot-in-command proficiency check under part 121, 125, or 135 of this chapter conducted by the Administrator or by an approved pilot check airman.
- (h) Additional aircraft type-specific training. No person may serve as pilot in command of an aircraft that the Administrator has determined requires aircraft type-specific training unless that person has—
- (1) Received and logged type-specific training in the aircraft, or in a flight simulator or flight training device that is representative of that type of aircraft; and
- (2) Received a logbook endorsement from an authorized instructor who has found the person proficient in the operation of the aircraft and its systems.
- (i) Additional training required for operating tailwheel airplanes. (1) Except as provided in paragraph (i)(2) of this section, no person may act as pilot in command of a tailwheel airplane unless that person has received and logged flight training from an authorized instructor in a tailwheel airplane and received an endorsement in the person's logbook from an authorized instructor

who found the person proficient in the operation of a tailwheel airplane. The flight training must include at least the following maneuvers and procedures:

- (i) Normal and crosswind takeoffs and landings:
- (ii) Wheel landings (unless the manufacturer has recommended against such landings); and

(iii) Go-around procedures.

- (2) The training and endorsement required by paragraph (i)(1) of this section is not required if the person logged pilot-in-command time in a tailwheel airplane before April 15, 1991.
- (j) Additional training required for operating a glider. (1) No person may act as pilot in command of a glider—
- (i) Using ground-tow procedures, unless that person has satisfactorily accomplished ground and flight training on ground-tow procedures and operations, and has received an endorsement from an authorized instructor who certifies in that pilot's logbook that the pilot has been found proficient in ground-tow procedures and operations;
- (ii) Using aerotow procedures, unless that person has satisfactorily accomplished ground and flight training on aerotow procedures and operations, and has received an endorsement from an authorized instructor who certifies in that pilot's logbook that the pilot has been found proficient in aerotow procedures and operations; or
- (iii) Using self-launch procedures, unless that person has satisfactorily accomplished ground and flight training on self-launch procedures and operations, and has received an endorsement from an authorized instructor who certifies in that pilot's logbook that the pilot has been found proficient in self-launch procedures and operations
- (2) The holder of a glider rating issued prior to August 4, 1997, is considered to be in compliance with the training and logbook endorsement requirements of this paragraph for the specific operating privilege for which the holder is already qualified.
- (k) Exceptions. (1) This section does not require a category and class rating for aircraft not type-certificated as airplanes, rotorcraft, gliders, lighter-

than-air aircraft, powered-lifts, powered parachutes, or weight-shift-control aircraft.

- (2) The rating limitations of this section do not apply to—
- (i) An applicant when taking a practical test given by an examiner;
- (ii) The holder of a student pilot certificate:
- (iii) The holder of a pilot certificate when operating an aircraft under the authority of—
 - (A) A provisional type certificate; or
- (B) An experimental certificate, unless the operation involves carrying a passenger;
- (iv) The holder of a pilot certificate with a lighter-than-air category rating when operating a balloon;
- (v) The holder of a recreational pilot certificate operating under the provisions of §61.101(h); or
- (vi) The holder of a sport pilot certificate when operating a light-sport aircraft.

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§61.33 Tests: General procedure.

Tests prescribed by or under this part are given at times and places, and by persons designated by the Administrator.

§61.35 Knowledge test: Prerequisites and passing grades.

- (a) An applicant for a knowledge test must have:
- (1) Received an endorsement, if required by this part, from an authorized instructor certifying that the applicant accomplished the appropriate ground-training or a home-study course required by this part for the certificate or rating sought and is prepared for the knowledge test; and
- (2) Proper identification at the time of application that contains the applicant's—
 - (i) Photograph;
 - (ii) Signature;
- (iii) Date of birth, which shows the applicant meets or will meet the age requirements of this part for the certificate sought before the expiration date of the airman knowledge test report; and

- (iv) Actual residential address, if different from the applicant's mailing address.
- (b) The Administrator shall specify the minimum passing grade for the knowledge test.

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§61.37 Knowledge tests: Cheating or other unauthorized conduct.

- (a) An applicant for a knowledge test may not:
- (i) Copy or intentionally remove any knowledge test:
- (2) Give to another applicant or receive from another applicant any part or copy of a knowledge test;
- (3) Give assistance on, or receive assistance on, a knowledge test during the period that test is being given;
- (4) Take any part of a knowledge test on behalf of another person;
- (5) Be represented by, or represent, another person for a knowledge test;
- (6) Use any material or aid during the period that the test is being given, unless specifically authorized to do so by the Administrator; and
- (7) Intentionally cause, assist, or participate in any act prohibited by this paragraph.
- (b) An applicant who the Administrator finds has committed an act prohibited by paragraph (a) of this section is prohibited, for I year after the date of committing that act, from:
- (1) Applying for any certificate, rating, or authorization issued under this chapter; and
- (2) Applying for and taking any test under this chapter.
- (c) Any certificate or rating held by an applicant may be suspended or revoked if the Administrator finds that person has committed an act prohibited by paragraph (a) of this section.

§61.39 Prerequisites for practical tests.

- (a) Except as provided in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section, to be eligible for a practical test for a certificate or rating issued under this part, an applicant must:
- (1) Pass the required knowledge test within the 24-calendar-month period preceding the month the applicant

completes the practical test, if a knowledge test is required;

- (2) Present the knowledge test report at the time of application for the practical test, if a knowledge test is required:
- (3) Have satisfactorily accomplished the required training and obtained the aeronautical experience prescribed by this part for the certificate or rating sought:
- (4) Hold at least a current third-class medical certificate, if a medical certificate is required;
- (5) Meet the prescribed age requirement of this part for the issuance of the certificate or rating sought;
- (6) Have an endorsement, if required by this part, in the applicant's logbook or training record that has been signed by an authorized instructor who certifies that the applicant—
- (i) Has received and logged training time within 60 days preceding the date of application in preparation for the practical test;
- (ii) Is prepared for the required practical test; and
- (iii) Has demonstrated satisfactory knowledge of the subject areas in which the applicant was deficient on the airman knowledge test; and
- (7) Have a completed and signed application form.
- (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs (a)(1) and (2) of this section, an applicant for an airline transport pilot certificate or an additional rating to an airline transport certificate may take the practical test for that certificate or rating with an expired knowledge test report, provided that the applicant:
- (1) Is employed as a flight crewmember by a certificate holder under part 121, 125, or 135 of this chapter at the time of the practical test and has satisfactorily accomplished that operator's approved—
- (i) Pilot in command aircraft qualification training program that is appropriate to the certificate and rating sought; and
- (ii) Qualification training requirements appropriate to the certificate and rating sought; or
- (2) Is employed as a flight crewmember in scheduled U.S. military air transport operations at the time of the

practical test, and has accomplished the pilot in command aircraft qualification training program that is appropriate to the certificate and rating sought.

- (c) A person is not required to comply with the provisions of paragraph (a) (6) of this section if that person:
- (1) Holds a foreign-pilot license issued by a contracting State to the Convention on International Civil Aviation that authorizes at least the pilot privileges of the airman certificate sought;
- (2) Is applying for a type rating only, or a class rating with an associated type rating; or
- (3) Is applying for an airline transport pilot certificate or an additional rating to an airline transport pilot certificate in an aircraft that does not require an aircraft type rating practical test.
- (d) If all increments of the practical test for a certificate or rating are not completed on one date, all remaining increments of the test must be satisfactorily completed not more than 60 calendar days after the date on which the applicant began the test.
- (e) If all increments of the practical test for a certificate or a rating are not satisfactorily completed within 60 calendar days after the date on which the applicant began the test, the applicant must retake the entire practical test, including those increments satisfactorily completed.

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§61.41 Flight training received from flight instructors not certificated by the FAA.

- (a) A person may credit flight training toward the requirements of a pilot certificate or rating issued under this part, if that person received the training from:
- (1) A flight instructor of an Armed Force in a program for training military pilots of either—
 - (i) The United States; or
- (ii) A foreign contracting State to the Convention on International Civil Aviation.

- (2) A flight instructor who is authorized to give such training by the licensing authority of a foreign contracting State to the Convention on International Civil Aviation, and the flight training is given outside the United States.
- (b) A flight instructor described in paragraph (a) of this section is only authorized to give endorsements to show training given.

§61.43 Practical tests: General procedures.

- (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, the ability of an applicant for a certificate or rating issued under this part to perform the required tasks on the practical test is based on that applicant's ability to safely:
- (1) Perform the tasks specified in the areas of operation for the certificate or rating sought within the approved standards:
- (2) Demonstrate mastery of the aircraft with the successful outcome of each task performed never seriously in doubt.
- (3) Demonstrate satisfactory proficiency and competency within the approved standards;
 - (4) Demonstrate sound judgment; and
- (5) Demonstrate single-pilot competence if the aircraft is type certificated for single-pilot operations.
- (b) If an applicant does not demonstrate single pilot proficiency, as required in paragraph (a)(5) of this section, a limitation of "Second in Command Required" will be placed on the applicant's airman certificate. The limitation may be removed if the applicant passes the appropriate practical test by demonstrating single-pilot competency in the aircraft in which single-pilot privileges are sought.
- (c) If an applicant fails any area of operation, that applicant fails the practical test.
- (d) An applicant is not eligible for a certificate or rating sought until all the areas of operation are passed.
- (e) The examiner or the applicant may discontinue a practical test at any time:
- (1) When the applicant fails one or more of the areas of operation; or

- (2) Due to inclement weather conditions, aircraft airworthiness, or any other safety-of-flight concern.
- (f) If a practical test is discontinued, the applicant is entitled credit for those areas of operation that were passed, but only if the applicant:
- (1) Passes the remainder of the practical test within the 60-day period after the date the practical test was discontinued:
- (2) Presents to the examiner for the retest the original notice of disapproval form or the letter of discontinuance form, as appropriate;
- (3) Satisfactorily accomplishes any additional training needed and obtains the appropriate instructor endorsements, if additional training is required; and
- (4) Presents to the examiner for the retest a properly completed and signed application.

§61.45 Practical tests: Required aircraft and equipment.

- (a) General. Except as provided in paragraph (a)(2) of this section or when permitted to accomplish the entire flight increment of the practical test in a flight simulator or a flight training device, an applicant for a certificate or rating issued under this part must furnish:
- (1) An aircraft of U.S. registry for each required test that—
- (i) Is of the category, class, and type, if applicable, for which the applicant is applying for a certificate or rating; and
- (ii) Has a current standard airworthiness certificate or special airworthiness certificate in the limited, primary, or light-sport category.
- (2) At the discretion of the examiner who administers the practical test, the applicant may furnish—
- (i) An aircraft that has a current airworthiness certificate other than a standard airworthiness certificate or special airworthiness certificate in the limited, primary, or light-sport category, but that otherwise meets the requirements of paragraph (a)(1) of this section:
- (ii) An aircraft of the same category, class, and type, if applicable, of foreign registry that is properly certificated by the country of registry; or

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- (iii) A military aircraft of the same category, class, and type, if applicable, for which the applicant is applying for a certificate or rating.
- (b) Required equipment (other than controls). (1) Except as provided in paragraph (b)(2) of this section, an aircraft used for a practical test must have—
- (i) The equipment for each area of operation required for the practical test;
- (ii) No prescribed operating limitations that prohibit its use in any of the areas of operation required for the practical test;
- (iii) Except as provided in paragraphs (e) and (f) of this section, at least two pilot stations with adequate visibility for each person to operate the aircraft safely; and
- (iv) Cockpit and outside visibility adequate to evaluate the performance of the applicant when an additional jump seat is provided for the examiner.
- (2) An applicant for a certificate or rating may use an aircraft with operating characteristics that preclude the applicant from performing all of the tasks required for the practical test. However, the applicant's certificate or rating, as appropriate, will be issued with an appropriate limitation.
- (c) Required controls. An aircraft (other than a lighter-than-air aircraft) used for a practical test must have engine power controls and flight controls that are easily reached and operable in a conventional manner by both pilots, unless the examiner determines that the practical test can be conducted safely in the aircraft without the controls being easily reached.
- (d) Simulated instrument flight equipment. An applicant for a practical test that involves maneuvering an aircraft solely by reference to instruments must furnish:
- (1) Equipment on board the aircraft that permits the applicant to pass the areas of operation that apply to the rating sought; and
- (2) A device that prevents the applicant from having visual reference outside the aircraft, but does not prevent the examiner from having visual reference outside the aircraft, and is otherwise acceptable to the Administrator.
- (e) Aircraft with single controls. A practical test may be conducted in an

- aircraft having a single set of controls, provided the:
- (1) Examiner agrees to conduct the test:
- (2) Test does not involve a demonstration of instrument skills; and
- (3) Proficiency of the applicant can be observed by an examiner who is in a position to observe the applicant.
- (f) Light-sport aircraft with a single seat. A practical test for a sport pilot certificate may be conducted in a light-sport aircraft having a single seat provided that the—
- (1) Examiner agrees to conduct the test:
- (2) Examiner is in a position to observe the operation of the aircraft and evaluate the proficiency of the applicant: and
- (3) Pilot certificate of an applicant successfully passing the test is issued a pilot certificate with a limitation "No passenger carriage and flight in a single-seat light-sport aircraft only."

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§61.47 Status of an examiner who is authorized by the Administrator to conduct practical tests.

- (a) An examiner represents the Administrator for the purpose of conducting practical tests for certificates and ratings issued under this part and to observe an applicant's ability to perform the areas of operation on the practical test.
- (b) The examiner is not the pilot in command of the aircraft during the practical test unless the examiner agrees to act in that capacity for the flight or for a portion of the flight by prior arrangement with:
 - (1) The applicant; or
- (2) A person who would otherwise act as pilot in command of the flight or for a portion of the flight.
- (c) Notwithstanding the type of aircraft used during the practical test, the applicant and the examiner (and any other occupants authorized to be on board by the examiner) are not subject to the requirements or limitations for

the carriage of passengers that are specified in this chapter.

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§61.49 Retesting after failure.

- (a) An applicant for a knowledge or practical test who fails that test may reapply for the test only after the applicant has received:
- (1) The necessary training from an authorized instructor who has determined that the applicant is proficient to pass the test; and
- (2) An endorsement from an authorized instructor who gave the applicant the additional training.
- (b) An applicant for a flight instructor certificate with an airplane category rating or, for a flight instructor certificate with a glider category rating, who has failed the practical test due to deficiencies in instructional proficiency on stall awareness, spin entry, spins, or spin recovery must:
- (1) Comply with the requirements of paragraph (a) of this section before being retested;
- (2) Bring an aircraft to the retest that is of the appropriate aircraft category for the rating sought and is certificated for spins; and
- (3) Demonstrate satisfactory instructional proficiency on stall awareness, spin entry, spins, and spin recovery to an examiner during the retest.

§61.51 Pilot logbooks.

- (a) Training time and aeronautical experience. Each person must document and record the following time in a manner acceptable to the Administrator:
- (1) Training and aeronautical experience used to meet the requirements for a certificate, rating, or flight review of this part.
- (2) The aeronautical experience required for meeting the recent flight experience requirements of this part.
- (b) Logbook entries. For the purposes of meeting the requirements of paragraph (a) of this section, each person must enter the following information for each flight or lesson logged:
 - (1) General-
 - (i) Date.
 - (ii) Total flight time or lesson time.

- (iii) Location where the aircraft departed and arrived, or for lessons in a flight simulator or flight training device, the location where the lesson occurred.
- (iv) Type and identification of aircraft, flight simulator, or flight training device, as appropriate.
- (v) The name of a safety pilot, if required by §91.109(b) of this chapter.
- (2) Type of pilot experience or training— $\,$
 - (i) Solo.
 - (ii) Pilot in command.
 - (iii) Second in command.
- (iv) Flight and ground training received from an authorized instructor.
- (v) Training received in a flight simulator or flight training device from an authorized instructor.
 - (3) Conditions of flight—
 - (i) Day or night.
 - (ii) Actual instrument.
- (iii) Simulated instrument conditions in flight, a flight simulator, or a flight training device.
- (c) Logging of pilot time. The pilot time described in this section may be used to:
- (1) Apply for a certificate or rating issued under this part or a privilege authorized under this part; or
- (2) Satisfy the recent flight experience requirements of this part.
- (d) Logging of solo flight time. Except for a student pilot performing the duties of pilot in command of an airship requiring more than one pilot flight crewmember, a pilot may log as solo flight time only that flight time when the pilot is the sole occupant of the aircraft.
- (e) Logging pilot-in-command flight time. (1) A sport, recreational, private, or commercial pilot may log pilot-in-command time only for that flight time during which that person—
- (i) Is the sole manipulator of the controls of an aircraft for which the pilot is rated or has privileges;
- (ii) Is the sole occupant of the aircraft; or
- (iii) Except for a recreational pilot, is acting as pilot in command of an aircraft on which more than one pilot is required under the type certification of the aircraft or the regulations under which the flight is conducted.

- (2) An airline transport pilot may log as pilot-in-command time all of the flight time while acting as pilot-in-command of an operation requiring an airline transport pilot certificate.
- (3) An authorized instructor may log as pilot-in-command time all flight time while acting as an authorized instructor.
- (4) A student pilot may log pilot-in-command time only when the student pilot— $\,$
- (i) Is the sole occupant of the aircraft or is performing the duties of pilot of command of an airship requiring more than one pilot flight crewmember;
- (ii) Has a current solo flight endorsement as required under §61.87 of this part; and
- (iii) Is undergoing training for a pilot certificate or rating.
- (f) Logging second-in-command flight time. A person may log second-in-command time only for that flight time during which that person:
- (1) Is qualified in accordance with the second-in-command requirements of §61.55 of this part, and occupies a crewmember station in an aircraft that requires more than one pilot by the aircraft's type certificate; or
- (2) Holds the appropriate category, class, and instrument rating (if an instrument rating is required for the flight) for the aircraft being flown, and more than one pilot is required under the type certification of the aircraft or the regulations under which the flight is being conducted.
- (g) Logging instrument flight time. (1) A person may log instrument time only for that flight time when the person operates the aircraft solely by reference to instruments under actual or simulated instrument flight conditions.
- (2) An authorized instructor may log instrument time when conducting instrument flight instruction in actual instrument flight conditions.
- (3) For the purposes of logging instrument time to meet the recent instrument experience requirements of §61.57(c) of this part, the following information must be recorded in the person's logbook—
- (i) The location and type of each instrument approach accomplished; and

- (ii) The name of the safety pilot, if required.
- (4) A flight simulator or approved flight training device may be used by a person to log instrument time, provided an authorized instructor is present during the simulated flight.
- (h) Logging training time. (1) A person may log training time when that person receives training from an authorized instructor in an aircraft, flight simulator, or flight training device.
- (2) The training time must be logged in a logbook and must:
- (i) Be endorsed in a legible manner by the authorized instructor; and
- (ii) Include a description of the training given, the length of the training lesson, and the authorized instructor's signature, certificate number, and certificate expiration date.
- (i) Presentation of required documents.
 (1) Persons must present their pilot certificate, medical certificate, logbook, or any other record required by this part for inspection upon a reasonable request by—
 - (i) The Administrator;
- (ii) An authorized representative from the National Transportation Safety Board; or
- (iii) Any Federal, State, or local law enforcement officer.
- (2) A student pilot must carry the following items in the aircraft on all solo cross-country flights as evidence of the required authorized instructor clearances and endorsements—
 - (i) Pilot logbook;
 - (ii) Student pilot certificate; and
- (iii) Any other record required by this section.
- (3) A sport pilot must carry his or her logbook or other evidence of required authorized instructor endorsements on all flights.
- (4) A recreational pilot must carry his or her logbook with the required authorized instructor endorsements on all solo flights—
- (i) That exceed 50 nautical miles from the airport at which training was received;
- (ii) Within airspace that requires communication with air traffic control:
- (iii) Conducted between sunset and sunrise; or

- (iv) In an aircraft for which the pilot does not hold an appropriate category or class rating.
- (5) A flight instructor with a sport pilot rating must carry his or her logbook or other evidence of required authorized instructor endorsements on all flights when providing flight training.

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§61.52 Use of aeronautical experience obtained in ultralight vehicles.

- (a) A person may use aeronautical experience obtained in an ultralight vehicle to meet the requirements for the following certificates and ratings issued under this part:
 - (1) A sport pilot certificate.
- (2) A flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating;
- (3) A private pilot certificate with a weight-shift-control or powered parachute category rating.
- (b) A person may use aeronautical experience obtained in an ultralight vehicle to meet the provisions of §§61.69 and 61.415(e).
- (c) A person using aeronautical experience obtained in an ultralight vehicle to meet the requirements for a certificate or rating specified in paragraph (a) of this section or the requirements of paragraph (b) of this section must—
- (1) Have been a registered ultralight pilot with an FAA-recognized ultralight organization when that aeronautical experience was obtained;
- (2) Document and log that aeronautical experience in accordance with the provisions for logging aeronautical experience specified by an FAA-recognized ultralight organization and in accordance with provisions for logging pilot time in aircraft as specified in §61.51; and
- (3) Obtain the experience in a category and class of vehicle corresponding to the rating or privileges sought.

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§61.53 Prohibition on operations during medical deficiency.

- (a) Operations that require a medical certificate. Except as provided for in paragraph (b) of this section, a person who holds a current medical certificate issued under part 67 of this chapter shall not act as pilot in command, or in any other capacity as a required pilot flight crewmember, while that person:
- (1) Knows or has reason to know of any medical condition that would make the person unable to meet the requirements for the medical certificate necessary for the pilot operation; or
- (2) Is taking medication or receiving other treatment for a medical condition that results in the person being unable to meet the requirements for the medical certificate necessary for the pilot operation.
- (b) Operations that do not require a medical certificate. For operations provided for in §61.23(b) of this part, a person shall not act as pilot in command, or in any other capacity as a required pilot flight crewmember, while that person knows or has reason to know of any medical condition that would make the person unable to operate the aircraft in a safe manner.
- (c) Operations requiring a medical certificate or a U.S. driver's license. For operations provided for in §61.23(c), a person must meet the provisions of—
- (1) Paragraph (a) of this section if that person holds a valid medical certificate issued under part 67 of this chapter and does not hold a current and valid U.S. driver's license.
- (2) Paragraph (b) of this section if that person holds a current and valid U.S. driver's license.

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§61.55 Second-in-command qualifications.

- (a) A person may serve as a secondin-command of an aircraft type certificated for more than one required pilot flight crewmember or in operations requiring a second-in-command pilot flight crewmember only if that person holds:
- (1) At least a current private pilot certificate with the appropriate category and class rating; and

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(2) An instrument rating or privilege that applies to the aircraft being flown if the flight is under IFR; and

(3) The appropriate pilot type rating for the aircraft unless the flight will be conducted as domestic flight operations within United States airspace.

- (b) Except as provided in paragraph (e) of this section, no person may serve as a second-in-command of an aircraft type certificated for more than one required pilot flight crewmember or in operations requiring a second-in-command unless that person has within the previous 12 calendar months:
- (1) Become familiar with the following information for the specific type aircraft for which second-in-command privileges are requested—
- (i) Operational procedures applicable to the powerplant, equipment, and systems.
- (ii) Performance specifications and limitations.
- (iii) Normal, abnormal, and emergency operating procedures.

(iv) Flight manual.

- (v) Placards and markings.
- (2) Except as provided in paragraph (g) of this section, performed and logged pilot time in the type of aircraft or in a flight simulator that represents the type of aircraft for which second-in-command privileges are requested, which includes—
- (i) Three takeoffs and three landings to a full stop as the sole manipulator of the flight controls;
- (ii) Engine-out procedures and maneuvering with an engine out while executing the duties of pilot in command; and
- (iii) Crew resource management training.
- (c) If a person complies with the requirements in paragraph (b) of this section in the calendar month before or the calendar month after the month in which compliance with this section is required, then that person is considered to have accomplished the training and practice in the month it is due.
- (d) A person may receive a second-incommand pilot type rating for an aircraft after satisfactorily completing the second-in-command familiarization training requirements under paragraph (b) of this section in that type of aircraft provided the training was com-

pleted within the 12 calendar months before the month of application for the SIC pilot type rating. The person must comply with the following application and pilot certification procedures:

- (1) The person who provided training must sign the applicant's logbook or training record after each lesson in accordance with §61.51(h)(2) of this part. In lieu of the trainer, it is permissible for a qualified management official within the organization to sign the applicant's training records or logbook and make the required endorsement. The qualified management official must hold the position of Chief Pilot, Director of Training, Director of Operations, or another comparable management position within the organization that provided the training and must be in a position to verify the applicant's training records and that the training was given.
- (2) The trainer or qualified management official must make an endorsement in the applicant's logbook that states "[Applicant's Name and Pilot Certificate Number] has demonstrated the skill and knowledge required for the safe operation of the [Type of Aircraft], relevant to the duties and responsibilities of a second in command."
- (3) If the applicant's flight experience and/or training records are in an electronic form, the applicant must present a paper copy of those records containing the signature of the trainer or qualified management official to an FAA Flight Standards District Office or Examiner.
- (4) The applicant must complete and sign an Airman Certificate and/or Rating Application, FAA Form 8710-1, and present the application to an FAA Flight Standards District Office or to an Examiner.
- (5) The person who provided the ground and flight training to the applicant must sign the "Instructor's Recommendation" section of the Airman Certificate and/or Rating Application, FAA Form 8710–1. In lieu of the trainer, it is permissible for a qualified management official within the organization to sign the applicant's FAA Form 8710–1.
- (6) The applicant must appear in person at a FAA Flight Standards District

Office or to an Examiner with his or her logbook/training records and with the completed and signed FAA Form 8710-1.

- (7) There is no practical test required for the issuance of the "SIC Privileges Only" pilot type rating.
- (e) A person may receive a second-incommand pilot type rating for the type of aircraft after satisfactorily completing an approved second-in-command training program, proficiency check, or competency check under subpart K of part 91, part 121, part 125, or part 135, as appropriate, in that type of aircraft provided the training was completed within the 12 calendar months before the month of application for the SIC pilot type rating. The person must comply with the following application and pilot certification procedures:
- (1) The person who provided the training must sign the applicant's logbook or training record after each lesson in accordance with §61.51(h)(2) of this part. In lieu of the trainer, it is permissible for a qualified management official within the organization to sign the applicant's training records or logbook and make the required endorsement. The qualified management official must hold the position of Chief Pilot, Director of Training, Director of Operations, or another comparable management position within the organization that provided the training and must be in a position to verify the applicant's training records and that the training was given.
- (2) The trainer or qualified management official must make an endorsement in the applicant's logbook that states "[Applicant's Name and Pilot Certificate Number] has demonstrated the skill and knowledge required for the safe operation of the [Type of Aircraft], relevant to the duties and responsibilities of a second in command."
- (3) If the applicant's flight experience and/or training records are in an electronic form, the applicant must provide a paper copy of those records containing the signature of the trainer or qualified management official to an FAA Flight Standards District Office, an Examiner, or an Aircrew Program Designee.

- (4) The applicant must complete and sign an Airman Certificate and/or Rating Application, FAA Form 8710-1, and present the application to an FAA Flight Standards District Office or to an Examiner or to an authorized Aircrew Program Designee.
- (5) The person who provided the ground and flight training to the applicant must sign the "Instructor's Recommendation" section of the Airman Certificate and/or Rating Application, FAA Form 8710–1. In lieu of the trainer, it is permissible for a qualified management official within the organization to sign the applicant's FAA Form 8710–1.
- (6) The applicant must appear in person at an FAA Flight Standards District Office or to an Examiner or to an authorized Aircrew Program Designee with his or her logbook/training records and with the completed and signed FAA Form 8710-1.
- (7) There is no practical test required for the issuance of the "SIC Privileges Only" pilot type rating.
- (f) The familiarization training requirements of paragraph (b) of this section do not apply to a person who is:
- (1) Designated and qualified as pilot in command under subpart K of part 91, part 121, 125, or 135 of this chapter in that specific type of aircraft;
- (2) Designated as the second in command under subpart K of part 91, part 121, 125, or 135 of this chapter in that specific type of aircraft;
- (3) Designated as the second in command in that specific type of aircraft for the purpose of receiving flight training required by this section, and no passengers or cargo are carried on the aircraft; or
- (4) Designated as a safety pilot for purposes required by $\S 91.109(b)$ of this chapter.
- (g) The holder of a commercial or airline transport pilot certificate with the appropriate category and class rating is not required to meet the requirements of paragraph (b)(2) of this section, provided the pilot:
- (1) Is conducting a ferry flight, aircraft flight test, or evaluation flight of an aircraft's equipment; and
- (2) Is not carrying any person or property on board the aircraft, other

than necessary for conduct of the flight.

- (h) For the purpose of meeting the requirements of paragraph (b) of this section, a person may serve as second in command in that specific type aircraft, provided:
- (1) The flight is conducted under day VFR or day IFR; and
- (2) No person or property is carried on board the aircraft, other than necessary for conduct of the flight.
- (i) The training under paragraphs (b) and (d) of this section and the training, proficiency check, and competency check under paragraph (e) of this section may be accomplished in a flight simulator that is used in accordance with an approved training course conducted by a training center certificated under part 142 of this chapter or under subpart K of part 91, part 121 or part 135 of this chapter.
- (j) When an applicant for an initial second-in-command qualification for a particular type of aircraft receives all the training in a flight simulator, that applicant must satisfactorily complete one takeoff and one landing in an aircraft of the same type for which the qualification is sought. This requirement does not apply to an applicant who completes a proficiency check under part 121 or competency check under subpart K, part 91, part 125, or part 135 for the particular type of aircraft.

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§61.56 Flight review.

- (a) Except as provided in paragraphs (b) and (f) of this section, a flight review consists of a minimum of 1 hour of flight training and 1 hour of ground training. The review must include:
- (1) A review of the current general operating and flight rules of part 91 of this chapter; and
- (2) A review of those maneuvers and procedures that, at the discretion of the person giving the review, are necessary for the pilot to demonstrate the safe exercise of the privileges of the pilot certificate.

- (b) Glider pilots may substitute a minimum of three instructional flights in a glider, each of which includes a flight to traffic pattern altitude, in lieu of the 1 hour of flight training required in paragraph (a) of this section.
- (c) Except as provided in paragraphs (d), (e), and (g) of this section, no person may act as pilot in command of an aircraft unless, since the beginning of the 24th calendar month before the month in which that pilot acts as pilot in command, that person has—
- (1) Accomplished a flight review given in an aircraft for which that pilot is rated by an authorized instructor and
- (2) A logbook endorsed from an authorized instructor who gave the review certifying that the person has satisfactorily completed the review.
- (d) A person who has, within the period specified in paragraph (c) of this section, passed a pilot proficiency check conducted by an examiner, an approved pilot check airman, or a U.S. Armed Force, for a pilot certificate, rating, or operating privilege need not accomplish the flight review required by this section.
- (e) A person who has, within the period specified in paragraph (c) of this section, satisfactorily accomplished one or more phases of an FAA-sponsored pilot proficiency award program need not accomplish the flight review required by this section.
- (f) A person who holds a current flight instructor certificate who has, within the period specified in paragraph (c) of this section, satisfactorily completed a renewal of a flight instructor certificate under the provisions in §61.197 need not accomplish the 1 hour of ground training specified in paragraph (a) of this section.
- (g) A student pilot need not accomplish the flight review required by this section provided the student pilot is undergoing training for a certificate and has a current solo flight endorsement as required under §61.87 of this part.
- (h) The requirements of this section may be accomplished in combination with the requirements of §61.57 and

other applicable recent experience requirements at the discretion of the authorized instructor conducting the flight review.

- (i) A flight simulator or flight training device may be used to meet the flight review requirements of this section subject to the following conditions:
- (1) The flight simulator or flight training device must be used in accordance with an approved course conducted by a training center certificated under part 142 of this chapter.
- (2) Unless the flight review is undertaken in a flight simulator that is approved for landings, the applicant must meet the takeoff and landing requirements of §61.57(a) or §61.57(b) of this part.
- (3) The flight simulator or flight training device used must represent an aircraft or set of aircraft for which the pilot is rated.

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§61.57 Recent flight experience: Pilot in command.

- (a) General experience. (1) Except as provided in paragraph (e) of this section, no person may act as a pilot in command of an aircraft carrying passengers or of an aircraft certificated for more than one pilot flight crewmember unless that person has made at least three takeoffs and three landings within the preceding 90 days, and—
- (i) The person acted as the sole manipulator of the flight controls; and
- (ii) The required takeoffs and landings were performed in an aircraft of the same category, class, and type (if a type rating is required), and, if the aircraft to be flown is an airplane with a tailwheel, the takeoffs and landings must have been made to a full stop in an airplane with a tailwheel.
- (2) For the purpose of meeting the requirements of paragraph (a)(1) of this section, a person may act as a pilot in command of an aircraft under day VFR or day IFR, provided no persons or property are carried on board the aircraft, other than those necessary for the conduct of the flight.
- (3) The takeoffs and landings required by paragraph (a)(1) of this sec-

tion may be accomplished in a flight simulator or flight training device that is—

- (i) Approved by the Administrator for landings; and
- (ii) Used in accordance with an approved course conducted by a training center certificated under part 142 of this chapter.
- (b) Night takeoff and landing experience. (1) Except as provided in paragraph (e) of this section, no person may act as pilot in command of an aircraft carrying passengers during the period beginning 1 hour after sunset and ending 1 hour before sunrise, unless within the preceding 90 days that person has made at least three takeoffs and three landings to a full stop during the period beginning 1 hour after sunset and ending 1 hour before sunrise, and—
- (i) That person acted as sole manipulator of the flight controls; and
- (ii) The required takeoffs and landings were performed in an aircraft of the same category, class, and type (if a type rating is required).
- (2) The takeoffs and landings required by paragraph (b)(1) of this section may be accomplished in a flight simulator that is—
- (i) Approved by the Administrator for takeoffs and landings, if the visual system is adjusted to represent the period described in paragraph (b)(1) of this section; and
- (ii) Used in accordance with an approved course conducted by a training center certificated under part 142 of this chapter.
- (c) Instrument experience. Except as provided in paragraph (e) of this section, no person may act as pilot in command under IFR or in weather conditions less than the minimums prescribed for VFR, unless within the preceding 6 calendar months, that person has:
- (1) For the purpose of obtaining instrument experience in an aircraft (other than a glider), performed and logged under actual or simulated instrument conditions, either in flight in the appropriate category of aircraft for the instrument privileges sought or in a flight simulator or flight training device that is representative of the aircraft category for the instrument privileges sought—

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- (i) At least six instrument approaches;
 - (ii) Holding procedures; and
- (iii) Intercepting and tracking courses through the use of navigation systems.
- (2) For the purpose of obtaining instrument experience in a glider, performed and logged under actual or simulated instrument conditions—
- (i) At least 3 hours of instrument time in flight, of which 1½ hours may be acquired in an airplane or a glider if no passengers are to be carried; or

(ii) 3 hours of instrument time in flight in a glider if a passenger is to be carried.

- (d) Instrument proficiency check. Except as provided in paragraph (e) of this section, a person who does not meet the instrument experience requirements of paragraph (c) of this section within the prescribed time, or within 6 calendar months after the prescribed time, may not serve as pilot in command under IFR or in weather conditions less than the minimums prescribed for VFR until that person passes an instrument proficiency check consisting of a representative number of tasks required by the instrument rating practical test.
- (1) The instrument proficiency check must be—
- (i) In an aircraft that is appropriate to the aircraft category;
- (ii) For other than a glider, in a flight simulator or flight training device that is representative of the aircraft category; or
- (iii) For a glider, in a single-engine airplane or a glider.
- (2) The instrument proficiency check must be given by—
 - (i) An examiner;
- (ii) A person authorized by the U.S. Armed Forces to conduct instrument flight tests, provided the person being tested is a member of the U.S. Armed Forces:
- (iii) A company check pilot who is authorized to conduct instrument flight tests under part 121, 125, or 135 of this chapter or subpart K of part 91 of this chapter, and provided that both the check pilot and the pilot being tested are employees of that operator or fractional ownership program manager, as applicable;

- (iv) An authorized instructor; or
- (v) A person approved by the Administrator to conduct instrument practical tests.
- (e) Exceptions. (1) Paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section do not apply to a pilot in command who is employed by a certificate holder under part 125 and engaged in a flight operation for that certificate holder if the pilot is in compliance with §§ 125.281 and 125.285 of this chapter.
- (2) This section does not apply to a pilot in command who is employed by an air carrier certificated under part 121 or 135 and is engaged in a flight operation under part 91, 121, or 135 for that air carrier if the pilot is in compliance with §§121.437 and 121.439, or §§135.243 and 135.247 of this chapter, as appropriate.
- (3) Paragraph (b) of this section does not apply to a pilot in command of a turbine-powered airplane that is type certificated for more than one pilot crewmember, provided that pilot has complied with the requirements of paragraph (e)(3)(i) or (ii) of this section:
- (i) The pilot in command must hold at least a commercial pilot certificate with the appropriate category, class, and type rating for each airplane that is type certificated for more than one pilot crewmember that the pilot seeks to operate under this alternative, and:
- (A) That pilot must have logged at least 1,500 hours of aeronautical experience as a pilot;
- (B) In each airplane that is type certificated for more than one pilot crewmember that the pilot seeks to operate under this alternative, that pilot must have accomplished and logged the day-time takeoff and landing recent flight experience of paragraph (a) of this section, as the sole manipulator of the flight controls;
- (C) Within the preceding 90 days prior to the operation of that airplane that is type certificated for more than one pilot crewmember, the pilot must have accomplished and logged at least 15 hours of flight time in the type of airplane that the pilot seeks to operate under this alternative; and

- (D) That pilot has accomplished and logged at least 3 takeoffs and 3 landings to a full stop, as the sole manipulator of the flight controls, in a turbine-powered airplane that requires more than one pilot crewmember. The pilot must have performed the takeoffs and landings during the period beginning 1 hour after sunset and ending 1 hour before sunrise within the preceding 6 months prior to the month of the flight.
- (ii) The pilot in command must hold at least a commercial pilot certificate with the appropriate category, class, and type rating for each airplane that is type certificated for more than one pilot crewmember that the pilot seeks to operate under this alternative, and:
- (A) That pilot must have logged at least 1,500 hours of aeronautical experience as a pilot;
- (B) In each airplane that is type certificated for more than one pilot crewmember that the pilot seeks to operate under this alternative, that pilot must have accomplished and logged the day-time takeoff and landing recent flight experience of paragraph (a) of this section, as the sole manipulator of the flight controls;
- (C) Within the preceding 90 days prior to the operation of that airplane that is type certificated for more than one pilot crewmember, the pilot must have accomplished and logged at least 15 hours of flight time in the type of airplane that the pilot seeks to operate under this alternative; and
- (D) Within the preceding 12 months prior to the month of the flight, the pilot must have completed a training program that is approved under part 142 of this chapter. The approved training program must have required and the pilot must have performed, at least 6 takeoffs and 6 landings to a full stop as the sole manipulator of the controls in a flight simulator that is representative of a turbine-powered airplane that requires more than one pilot crewmember. The flight simulator's visual system must have been adjusted to represent the period beginning 1 hour

after sunset and ending 1 hour before sunrise.

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§61.58 Pilot-in-command proficiency check: Operation of aircraft requiring more than one pilot flight crewmember.

- (a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, to serve as pilot in command of an aircraft that is type certificated for more than one required pilot flight crewmember, a person must—
- (1) Within the preceding 12 calendar months, complete a pilot-in-command proficiency check in an aircraft that is type certificated for more than one required pilot flight crewmember; and
- (2) Within the preceding 24 calendar months, complete a pilot-in-command proficiency check in the particular type of aircraft in which that person will serve as pilot in command.
- (b) This section does not apply to persons conducting operations under subpart K of part 91, part 121, 125, 133, 135, or 137 of this chapter, or persons maintaining continuing qualification under an Advanced Qualification program approved under subpart Y of part 121 of this chapter.
- (c) The pilot-in-command proficiency check given in accordance with the provisions of subpart K of part 91, part 121, 125, or 135 of this chapter may be used to satisfy the requirements of this section
- (d) The pilot-in-command proficiency check required by paragraph (a) of this section may be accomplished by satisfactory completion of one of the following:
- (1) A pilot-in-command proficiency check conducted by a person authorized by the Administrator, consisting of the maneuvers and procedures required for a type rating, in an aircraft type certificated for more than one required pilot flight crewmember;
- (2) The practical test required for a type rating, in an aircraft type certificated for more than one required pilot flight crewmember;
- (3) The initial or periodic practical test required for the issuance of a pilot examiner or check airman designation,

in an aircraft type certificated for more than one required pilot flight crewmember; or

- (4) A military flight check required for a pilot in command with instrument privileges, in an aircraft that the military requires to be operated by more than one pilot flight crewmember.
- (e) A check or test described in paragraphs (d)(1) through (d)(4) of this section may be accomplished in a flight simulator under part 142 of this chapter, subject to the following:
- (1) Except as provided for in paragraphs (e)(2) and (e)(3) of this section, if an otherwise qualified and approved flight simulator used for a pilot-incommand proficiency check is not qualified and approved for a specific required maneuver—
- (i) The training center must annotate, in the applicant's training record, the maneuver or maneuvers omitted; and
- (ii) Prior to acting as pilot in command, the pilot must demonstrate proficiency in each omitted maneuver in an aircraft or flight simulator qualified and approved for each omitted maneuver
- (2) If the flight simulator used pursuant to paragraph (e) of this section is not qualified and approved for circling approaches—
- (i) The applicant's record must include the statement, "Proficiency in circling approaches not demonstrated";
- (ii) The applicant may not perform circling approaches as pilot in command when weather conditions are less than the basic VFR conditions described in §91.155 of this chapter, until proficiency in circling approaches has been successfully demonstrated in a flight simulator qualified and approved for circling approaches or in an aircraft to a person authorized by the Administrator to conduct the check required by this section.
- (3) If the flight simulator used pursuant to paragraph (e) of this section is not qualified and approved for landings, the applicant must—
- (i) Hold a type rating in the airplane represented by the simulator; and
- (ii) Have completed within the preceding 90 days at least three takeoffs

- and three landings (one to a full stop) as the sole manipulator of the flight controls in the type airplane for which the pilot-in-command proficiency check is sought.
- (f) For the purpose of meeting the pilot-in-command proficiency check requirements of paragraph (a) of this section, a person may act as pilot in command of a flight under day VFR conditions or day IFR conditions if no person or property is carried, other than as necessary to demonstrate compliance with this part.
- (g) If a pilot takes the pilot-in-command proficiency check required by this section in the calendar month before or the calendar month after the month in which it is due, the pilot is considered to have taken it in the month in which it was due for the purpose of computing when the next pilot-in-command proficiency check is due.

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§61.59 Falsification, reproduction, or alteration of applications, certificates, logbooks, reports, or records.

- (a) No person may make or cause to be made:
- (1) Any fraudulent or intentionally false statement on any application for a certificate, rating, authorization, or duplicate thereof, issued under this part;
- (2) Any fraudulent or intentionally false entry in any logbook, record, or report that is required to be kept, made, or used to show compliance with any requirement for the issuance or exercise of the privileges of any certificate, rating, or authorization under this part;
- (3) Any reproduction for fraudulent purpose of any certificate, rating, or authorization, under this part; or
- (4) Any alteration of any certificate, rating, or authorization under this part.
- (b) The commission of an act prohibited under paragraph (a) of this section is a basis for suspending or revoking any airman certificate, rating, or authorization held by that person.

§61.60 Change of address.

The holder of a pilot, flight instructor, or ground instructor certificate who has made a change in permanent mailing address may not, after 30 days from that date, exercise the privileges of the certificate unless the holder has notified in writing the FAA, Airman Certification Branch, P.O. Box 25082, Oklahoma City, OK 73125, of the new permanent mailing address, or if the permanent mailing address includes a post office box number, then the holder's current residential address.

Subpart B—Aircraft Ratings and Pilot Authorizations

§61.61 Applicability.

This subpart prescribes the requirements for the issuance of additional aircraft ratings after a pilot certificate is issued, and the requirements for and limitations of pilot authorizations issued by the Administrator.

§ 61.63 Additional aircraft ratings (other than on an airline transport pilot certificate).

- (a) General. To be eligible for an additional aircraft rating to a pilot certificate, for other than an airline transport pilot certificate, an applicant must meet the appropriate requirements of this section for the additional aircraft rating sought.
- (b) Additional category rating. An applicant who holds a pilot certificate and applies to add a category rating to that pilot certificate:
- (1) Must have received the required training and possess the aeronautical experience prescribed by this part that applies to the pilot certificate for the aircraft category and, if applicable, class rating sought;
- (2) Must have an endorsement in his or her logbook or training record from an authorized instructor, and that endorsement must attest that the applicant has been found competent in the aeronautical knowledge areas appropriate to the pilot certificate for the aircraft category and, if applicable, class rating sought;
- (3) Must have an endorsement in his or her logbook or training record from an authorized instructor, and that en-

- dorsement must attest that the applicant has been found proficient on the areas of operation that are appropriate to the pilot certificate for the aircraft category and, if applicable, class rating sought:
- (4) Must pass the required practical test that is appropriate to the pilot certificate for the aircraft category and, if applicable, class rating sought; and
- (5) Need not take an additional knowledge test, provided the applicant holds an airplane, rotorcraft, poweredlift, or airship rating at that pilot certificate level.
- (c) Additional class rating. Any person who applies for an additional class rating to be added on a pilot certificate:
- (1) Must have an endorsement in his or her logbook or training record from an authorized instructor and that endorsement must attest that the applicant has been found competent in the aeronautical knowledge areas appropriate to the pilot certificate for the aircraft class rating sought;
- (2) Must have an endorsement in his or her logbook or training record from an authorized instructor, and that endorsement must attest that the applicant has been found proficient in the areas of operation appropriate to the pilot certificate for the aircraft class rating sought;
- (3) Must pass the required practical test that is appropriate to the pilot certificate for the aircraft class rating sought;
- (4) Need not meet the specified training time requirements prescribed by this part that apply to the pilot certificate for the aircraft class rating sought unless the person holds a lighter-thanair category rating with a balloon class rating and is seeking an airship class rating and
- (5) Need not take an additional knowledge test, provided the applicant holds an airplane, rotorcraft, poweredlift, or airship rating at that pilot certificate level.
- (d) Additional type rating. Except as specified in paragraph (d)(7) of this section, a person who applies for an additional aircraft type rating to be added on a pilot certificate, or the addition of

an aircraft type rating that is accomplished concurrently with an additional aircraft category or class rating:

- (1) Must hold or concurrently obtain an instrument rating that is appropriate to the aircraft category, class, or type rating sought;
- (2) Must have an endorsement in his or her logbook or training record from an authorized instructor, and that endorsement must attest that the applicant has been found competent in the aeronautical knowledge areas appropriate to the pilot certificate for the aircraft category, class, or type rating sought;
- (3) Must have an endorsement in his or her logbook, or training record from an authorized instructor, and that endorsement must attest that the applicant has been found proficient in the areas of operation required for the issuance of an airline transport pilot certificate for the aircraft category, class, and type rating sought;
- (4) Must pass the required practical test appropriate to the airline transport pilot certificate for the aircraft category, class, and type rating sought;
- (5) Must perform the practical test in actual or simulated instrument conditions, unless the aircraft's type certificate makes the aircraft incapable of operating under instrument flight rules. If the practical test cannot be accomplished for this reason, the person may obtain a type rating limited to "VFR only." The "VFR only" limitation may be removed for that aircraft type when the person passes the practical test in actual or simulated instrument conditions. When an instrument rating is issued to a person who holds one or more type ratings, the type ratings on the amended pilot certificate shall bear the "VFR only" limitation for each aircraft type rating for which the person has not demonstrated instrument competency;
- (6) Need not take an additional knowledge test, provided the applicant holds an airplane, rotorcraft, poweredlift, or airship rating on their pilot certificate; and
- (7) In the case of a pilot employee of a certificate holder operating under part 121 or 135 of this chapter or of a fractional ownership program manager

under subpart K of part 91 of this chapter, must have—

- (i) Met the appropriate requirements of paragraphs (d)(1), (d)(4), and (d)(5) of this section for the aircraft type rating sought; and
- (ii) Received an endorsement in his or her flight training record from the certificate holder or program manager attesting that the applicant has completed the certificate holder's or program manager's approved ground and flight training program appropriate to the aircraft type rating sought.
- (e) Use of a flight simulator or flight training device for an additional rating in an airplane. The areas of operation required to be performed by paragraphs (b), (c), and (d) of this section shall be performed as follows:
- (1) Except as provided in paragraph (e)(2) of this section, the areas of operation must be performed in an airplane of the same category, class, and type, if applicable, as the airplane for which the additional rating is sought.
- (2) Subject to the limitations of paragraph (e)(3) through (e)(12) of this section, the areas of operation may be performed in a flight simulator or flight training device that represents the airplane for which the additional rating is sought.
- (3) The use of a flight simulator or flight training device permitted by paragraph (e)(2) of this section shall be conducted in accordance with an approved course at a training center certificated under part 142 of this chapter.
- (4) To complete all training and testing (except preflight inspection) for an additional airplane rating without limitations when using a flight simulator—
- (i) The flight simulator must be qualified and approved as Level ${\sf C}$ or Level ${\sf D}$; and
- (ii) The applicant must meet at least one of the following:
- (A) Hold a type rating for a turbojet airplane of the same class of airplane for which the type rating is sought, or have been appointed by a military service as a pilot in command of an airplane of the same class of airplane for which the type rating is sought, if a type rating in a turbojet airplane is sought.

- (B) Hold a type rating for a turbopropeller airplane of the same class of airplane for which the type rating is sought, or have been designated by a military service as a pilot in command of an airplane of the same class of airplane for which the type rating is sought, if a type rating in a turbopropeller airplane is sought.
- (C) Have at least 2,000 hours of flight time, of which 500 hours is in turbine-powered airplanes of the same class of airplane for which the type rating is sought.
- (D) Have at least 500 hours of flight time in the same type airplane as the airplane for which the rating is sought.
- (É) Have at least 1,000 hours of flight time in at least two different airplanes requiring a type rating.
- (5) Subject to the limitation of paragraph (e)(6) of this section, an applicant who does not meet the requirements of paragraph (e)(4) of this section may complete all training and testing (except for preflight inspection) for an additional rating when using a flight simulator if—
- (i) The flight simulator is qualified and approved as a Level C or Level D; and
- (ii) The applicant meets at least one of the following:
- (A) Holds a type rating in a propellerdriven airplane if a type rating in a turbojet airplane is sought, or holds a type rating in a turbojet airplane if a type rating in a propeller-driven airplane is sought; or
- (B) Since the beginning of the 12th calendar month before the month in which the applicant completes the practical test for an additional airplane rating, has logged:
- (1) At least 100 hours of flight time in airplanes of the same class for which the type rating is sought and which requires a type rating; and
- (2) At least 25 hours of flight time in airplanes of the same type for which the rating is sought.
- (6) An applicant meeting only the requirements of paragraph (e)(5) of this section will be issued an additional rating with a limitation.
- (7) The limitation on a certificate issued under the provisions of paragraph (e)(6) of this section shall state, "This certificate is subject to pilot-in-

- command limitations for the additional rating."
- (8) An applicant who has been issued a pilot certificate with the limitation specified in paragraph (e)(7) of this section—
- (i) May not act as pilot in command of that airplane for which the additional rating was obtained under the provisions of this section until the limitation is removed from the pilot certificate; and
- (ii) May have the limitation removed by accomplishing 15 hours of supervised operating experience as pilot in command under the supervision of a qualified and current pilot in command, in the seat normally occupied by the pilot in command, in the same type of airplane to which the limitation applies.
- (9) An applicant who does not meet the requirements of paragraph (e)(4) or paragraph (e)(5) of this section may be issued an additional rating after successful completion of one of the following requirements:
- (i) Compliance with paragraphs (e)(2) and (e)(3) of this section and the following tasks, which must be successfully completed on a static airplane or in flight, as appropriate:
 - (A) Preflight inspection;
 - (B) Normal takeoff;
 - (C) Normal ILS approach;
- (D) Missed approach; and
- (E) Normal landing.
- (ii) Compliance with paragraphs (e)(2), (e)(3), and (e)(10) through (e)(12) of this section.
- (10) An applicant meeting only the requirements of paragraph (e)(9)(ii) of this section will be issued an additional rating with a limitation.
- (11) The limitation on a certificate issued under the provisions of paragraph (e)(10) of this section shall state, "This certificate is subject to pilot-incommand limitations for the additional rating."
- (12) An applicant who has been issued a pilot certificate with the limitation specified in paragraph (e)(11) of this section—
- (i) May not act as pilot in command of that airplane for which the additional rating was obtained under the

provisions of this section until the limitation is removed from the pilot certificate; and

- (ii) May have the limitation removed by accomplishing 25 hours of supervised operating experience as pilot in command under the supervision of a qualified and current pilot in command, in the seat normally occupied by the pilot in command, in that airplane of the same type to which the limitation applies.
- (f) Use of a flight simulator or flight training device for an additional rating in a helicopter. The areas of operation required to be performed by paragraphs (b), (c), and (d) of this section shall be performed as follows:
- (1) Except as provided in paragraph (f)(2) of this section, the areas of operation must be performed in a helicopter of the same type for the additional rating sought.
- (2) Subject to the limitations of paragraph (f)(3) through (f)(12) of this section, the areas of operation may be performed in a flight simulator or flight training device that represents that helicopter for the additional rating sought.
- (3) The use of a flight simulator or flight training device permitted by paragraph (f)(2) of this section shall be conducted in accordance with an approved course at a training center certificated under part 142 of this chapter.
- (4) To complete all training and testing (except preflight inspection) for an additional helicopter rating without limitations when using a flight simulator—
- (i) The flight simulator must be qualified and approved as Level C or Level D; and
- (ii) The applicant must meet at least one of the following if a type rating is sought in a turbine-powered helicopter:
- (A) Hold a type rating in a turbinepowered helicopter or have been appointed by a military service as a pilot in command of a turbine-powered helicopter.
- (B) Have at least 2,000 hours of flight time that includes at least 500 hours in turbine-powered helicopters.
- (C) Have at least 500 hours of flight time in turbine-powered helicopters.

- (D) Have at least 1,000 hours of flight time in at least two different turbinepowered helicopters.
- (5) Subject to the limitation of paragraph (f)(6) of this section, an applicant who does not meet the requirements of paragraph (f)(4) of this section may complete all training and testing (except for preflight inspection) for an additional rating when using a flight simulator if—
- (i) The flight simulator is qualified and approved as Level C or Level D; and
- (ii) The applicant meets at least one of the following:
- (A) Holds a type rating in a turbinepowered helicopter if a type rating in a turbine-powered helicopter is sought;
- (B) Since the beginning of the 12th calendar month before the month in which the applicant completes the practical test for an additional helicopter rating, has logged at least 25 hours of flight time in helicopters of the same type for which the rating is sought.
- (6) An applicant meeting only the requirements of paragraph (f)(5) of this section will be issued an additional rating with a limitation.
- (7) The limitation on a certificate issued under the provisions of paragraph (f)(6) of this section shall state, "This certificate is subject to pilot-incommand limitations for the additional rating."
- (8) An applicant who is issued a pilot certificate with the limitation specified in paragraph (f)(7) of this section—
- (i) May not act as pilot in command of that helicopter for which the additional rating was obtained under the provisions of this section until the limitation is removed from the pilot certificate; and
- (ii) May have the limitation removed by accomplishing 15 hours of supervised operating experience as pilot in command under the supervision of a qualified and current pilot in command, in the seat normally occupied by the pilot in command, in the same type of helicopter to which the limitation applies.
- (9) An applicant who does not meet the requirements of paragraph (f)(4) or paragraph (f)(5) of this section may be

issued an additional rating after successful completion of one of the following requirements:

- (i) Compliance with paragraphs (f)(2) and (f)(3) of this section and the following tasks, which must be successfully completed on a static helicopter or in flight, as appropriate:
 - (A) Preflight inspection;
 - (B) Normal takeoff;
 - (C) Normal ILS approach;
 - (D) Missed approach; and
 - (E) Normal landing.
- (ii) Compliance with paragraphs (f)(2), (f)(3), and (f)(10) through (f)(12) of this section.
- (10) A applicant meeting only the requirements of paragraph (f)(9)(ii) of this section will be issued an additional rating with a limitation.
- (11) The limitation on a certificate issued under the provisions of paragraph (f)(10) of this section shall state, "This certificate is subject to pilot-incommand limitations for the additional rating."
- (12) An applicant who has been issued a pilot certificate with the limitation specified in paragraph (f)(11) of this section—
- (i) May not act as pilot in command of that helicopter for which the additional rating was obtained under the provisions of this section until the limitation is removed from the pilot certificate; and
- (ii) May have the limitation removed by accomplishing 25 hours of supervised operating experience as pilot in command under the supervision of a qualified and current pilot in command, in the seat normally occupied by the pilot in command, in that helicopter of the same type as to which the limitation applies.
- (g) Use of a flight simulator or flight training device for an additional rating in a powered-lift. The areas of operation required to be performed by paragraphs (b), (c), and (d) of this section shall be performed as follows:
- (1) Except as provided in paragraph (g)(2) of this section, the areas of operation must be performed in a powered-lift of the same type for the additional rating sought.
- (2) Subject to the limitations of paragraphs (g)(3) through (g)(12) of this section, the areas of operation may be per-

formed in a flight simulator or flight training device that represents that powered-lift for the additional rating sought.

- (3) The use of a flight simulator or flight training device permitted by paragraph (g)(2) of this section shall be conducted in accordance with an approved course at a training center certificated under part 142 of this chapter.
- (4) To complete all training and testing (except preflight inspection) for an additional powered-lift rating without limitations when using a flight simulator—
- (i) The flight simulator must be qualified and approved as Level C or Level D; and
- (ii) The applicant must meet at least one of the following if a type rating is sought in a turbine powered-lift:
- (A) Hold a type rating in a turbine powered-lift or have been appointed by a military service as a pilot in command of a turbine powered-lift.
- (B) Have at least 2,000 hours of flight time that includes at least 500 hours in turbine powered-lifts.
- (C) Have at least 500 hours of flight time in turbine powered-lifts.
- (D) Have at least 1,000 hours of flight time in at least two different turbine powered-lifts.
- (5) Subject to the limitation of paragraph (g)(6) of this section, an applicant who does not meet the requirements of paragraph (g)(4) of this section may complete all training and testing (except for preflight inspection) for an additional rating when using a flight simulator if—
- (i) The flight simulator is qualified and approved as Level C or Level D; and
- (ii) The applicant meets at least one of the following:
- (A) Holds a type rating in a turbine powered-lift if a type rating in a turbine powered-lift is sought; or
- (B) Since the beginning of the 12th calendar month before the month in which the applicant completes the practical test for an additional powered-lift rating, has logged at least 25 hours of flight time in powered-lifts of the same type for which the rating is sought.
- (6) An applicant meeting only the requirements of paragraph (g)(5) of this

section will be issued an additional rating with a limitation.

- (7) The limitation on a certificate issued under the provisions of paragraph (g)(6) of this section shall state, "This certificate is subject to pilot-incommand limitations for the additional rating."
- (8) An applicant who is issued a pilot certificate with the limitation specified in paragraph (g)(7) of this section—
- (i) May not act as pilot in command of that powered-lift for which the additional rating was obtained under the provisions of this section until the limitation is removed from the pilot certificate: and
- (ii) May have the limitation removed by accomplishing 15 hours of supervised operating experience as pilot in command under the supervision of a qualified and current pilot in command, in the seat normally occupied by the pilot in command, in the same type of powered-lift to which the limitation applies.
- (9) An applicant who does not meet the requirements of paragraph (g)(4) or paragraph (g)(5) of this section may be issued an additional rating after successful completion of one of the following requirements:
- (i) Compliance with paragraphs (g)(2) and (g)(3) of this section and the following tasks, which must be successfully completed on a static powered-lift or in flight, as appropriate:
 - (A) Preflight inspection;
 - (B) Normal takeoff;
 - (C) Normal ILS approach;
 - (D) Missed approach; and
 - (E) Normal landing.
- (ii) Compliance with paragraphs (g)(2), (g)(3), and (g)(10) through (g)(12) of this section.
- (10) An applicant meeting only the requirements of paragraph (g)(9)(ii) of this section will be issued an additional rating with a limitation.
- (11) The limitation on a certificate issued under the provisions of paragraph (g)(10) of this section shall state, "This certificate is subject to pilot-incommand limitations for the additional rating."
- (12) An applicant who has been issued a pilot certificate with the limitation specified in paragraph (g)(11) of this section—

- (i) May not act as pilot in command of that powered-lift for which the additional rating was obtained under the provisions of this section until the limitation is removed from the pilot certificate: and
- (ii) May have the limitation removed by accomplishing 25 hours of supervised operating experience as pilot in command under the supervision of a qualified and current pilot in command, in the seat normally occupied by the pilot in command, in that poweredlift of the same type as to which the limitation applies.
- (h) Aircraft not capable of instrument maneuvers and procedures. An applicant for a type rating who provides an aircraft not capable of the instrument maneuvers and procedures required by the appropriate requirements contained in §61.157 of this part for the practical test may—
- (1) Obtain a type rating limited to "VFR only"; and
- (2) Remove the "VFR only" limitation for each aircraft type in which the applicant demonstrates compliance with the appropriate instrument requirements contained in §61.157 or §61.73 of this part.
- (i) Multiengine, single-pilot station airplane. An applicant for a type rating in a multiengine, single-pilot station airplane may meet the requirements of this part in a multiseat version of that multiengine airplane.
- (j) Single-engine, single-pilot station airplane. An applicant for a type rating in a single-engine, single-pilot station airplane may meet the requirements of this part in a multiseat version of that single-engine airplane.
- (k) Category class ratings for the operation of aircraft with experimental certificates: Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section, a person holding at least a recreational pilot certificate may apply for a category and class rating limited to a specific make and model of experimental aircraft, provided—
- (1) The person has logged at least 5 hours flight time while acting as pilot in command in the same category, class, make, and model of aircraft that has been issued an experimental certificate;

- (2) The person has received a logbook endorsement from an authorized instructor who has determined that he or she is proficient to act as pilot in command of the same category, class, make, and model of aircraft for which application is made; and
- (3) The flight time specified in paragraph (k)(1) of this section must be logged between September 1, 2004 and August 31, 2005.
- (l) Waivers. Unless the Administrator requires certain or all tasks to be performed, the examiner who conducts the practical test may waive any of the tasks for which the Administrator approves waiver authority.

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§61.64 [Reserved]

§61.65 Instrument rating requirements.

- (a) *General.* A person who applies for an instrument rating must:
- (1) Hold at least a current private pilot certificate with an airplane, helicopter, or powered-lift rating appropriate to the instrument rating sought;
- (2) Be able to read, speak, write, and understand the English language. If the applicant is unable to meet any of these requirements due to a medical condition, the Administrator may place such operating limitations on the applicant's pilot certificate as are necessary for the safe operation of the aircraft:
- (3) Receive and log ground training from an authorized instructor or accomplish a home-study course of training on the aeronautical knowledge areas of paragraph (b) of this section that apply to the instrument rating sought:
- (4) Receive a logbook or training record endorsement from an authorized instructor certifying that the person is prepared to take the required knowledge test;
- (5) Receive and log training on the areas of operation of paragraph (c) of this section from an authorized instructor in an aircraft, flight simulator, or flight training device that represents an airplane, helicopter, or

powered-lift appropriate to the instrument rating sought;

- (6) Receive a logbook or training record endorsement from an authorized instructor certifying that the person is prepared to take the required practical test:
- (7) Pass the required knowledge test on the aeronautical knowledge areas of paragraph (b) of this section; however, an applicant is not required to take another knowledge test when that person already holds an instrument rating; and
- (8) Pass the required practical test on the areas of operation in paragraph (c) of this section in—
- (i) An airplane, helicopter, or powered-lift appropriate to the rating sought; or
- (ii) A flight simulator or a flight training device appropriate to the rating sought and for the specific maneuver or instrument approach procedure performed. If an approved flight training device is used for the practical test, the instrument approach procedures conducted in that flight training device are limited to one precision and one nonprecision approach, provided the flight training device is approved for the procedure performed.
- (b) Aeronautical knowledge. A person who applies for an instrument rating must have received and logged ground training from an authorized instructor or accomplished a home-study course on the following aeronautical knowledge areas that apply to the instrument rating sought:
- (1) Federal Aviation Regulations of this chapter that apply to flight operations under IFR;
- (2) Appropriate information that applies to flight operations under IFR in the "Aeronautical Information Manual;"
- (3) Air traffic control system and procedures for instrument flight operations;
- (4) IFR navigation and approaches by use of navigation systems;
- (5) Use of IFR en route and instrument approach procedure charts;
- (6) Procurement and use of aviation weather reports and forecasts and the elements of forecasting weather trends based on that information and personal observation of weather conditions;

- (7) Safe and efficient operation of aircraft under instrument flight rules and conditions:
- (8) Recognition of critical weather situations and windshear avoidance;
- (9) Aeronautical decision making and judgment; and
- (10) Crew resource management, including crew communication and coordination.
- (c) Flight proficiency. A person who applies for an instrument rating must receive and log training from an authorized instructor in an aircraft, or in a flight simulator or flight training device, in accordance with paragraph (e) of this section, that includes the following areas of operation:
 - (1) Preflight preparation;
 - (2) Preflight procedures;
- (3) Air traffic control clearances and procedures;
- (4) Flight by reference to instruments;
 - (5) Navigation systems;
 - (6) Instrument approach procedures;
 - (7) Emergency operations; and
 - (8) Postflight procedures.
- (d) *Aeronautical experience*. A person who applies for an instrument rating must have logged the following:
- (1) At least 50 hours of cross-country flight time as pilot in command, of which at least 10 hours must be in airplanes for an instrument—airplane rating; and
- (2) A total of 40 hours of actual or simulated instrument time on the areas of operation of this section, to include—
- (i) At least 15 hours of instrument flight training from an authorized instructor in the aircraft category for which the instrument rating is sought;
- (ii) At least 3 hours of instrument training that is appropriate to the instrument rating sought from an authorized instructor in preparation for the practical test within the 60 days preceding the date of the test;
- (iii) For an instrument—airplane rating, instrument training on cross-country flight procedures specific to airplanes that includes at least one cross-country flight in an airplane that is performed under IFR, and consists of—

- (A) A distance of at least 250 nautical miles along airways or ATC-directed routing;
- (B) An instrument approach at each airport; and
- (C) Three different kinds of approaches with the use of navigation systems;
- (iv) For an instrument—helicopter rating, instrument training specific to helicopters on cross-country flight procedures that includes at least one cross-country flight in a helicopter that is performed under IFR, and consists of—
- (A) A distance of at least 100 nautical miles along airways or ATC-directed routing:
- (B) An instrument approach at each airport; and
- (C) Three different kinds of approaches with the use of navigation systems; and
- (v) For an instrument—powered-lift rating, instrument training specific to a powered-lift on cross-country flight procedures that includes at least one cross-country flight in a powered-lift that is performed under IFR and consists of—
- (A) A distance of at least 250 nautical miles along airways or ATC-directed routing;
- (B) An instrument approach at each airport: and
- (C) Three different kinds of approaches with the use of navigation systems.
- (e) Use of flight simulators or flight training devices. If the instrument training was provided by an authorized instructor in a flight simulator or flight training device—
- (1) A maximum of 30 hours may be performed in that flight simulator or flight training device if the training was accomplished in accordance with part 142 of this chapter; or
- (2) A maximum of 20 hours may be performed in that flight simulator or flight training device if the training was not accomplished in accordance with part 142 of this chapter.

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§61.67 Category II pilot authorization requirements.

- (a) *General.* A person who applies for a Category II pilot authorization must hold:
- (1) At least a private or commercial pilot certificate with an instrument rating or an airline transport pilot certificate;
- (2) A type rating for the aircraft for which the authorization is sought if that aircraft requires a type rating; and
- (3) A category and class rating for the aircraft for which the authorization is sought.
- (b) Experience requirements. An applicant for a Category II pilot authorization must have at least—
- (1) 50 hours of night flight time as pilot in command.
- (2) 75 hours of instrument time under actual or simulated instrument conditions that may include not more than—
- (i) A combination of 25 hours of simulated instrument flight time in a flight simulator or flight training device; or
- (ii) 40 hours of simulated instrument flight time if accomplished in an approved course conducted by an appropriately rated training center certificated under part 142 of this chapter.
- (3) 250 hours of cross-country flight time as pilot in command.
- (c) Practical test requirements. (1) A practical test must be passed by a person who applies for—
- (i) Issuance or renewal of a Category II pilot authorization; and
- (ii) The addition of another type aircraft to the applicant's Category II pilot authorization.
- (2) To be eligible for the practical test for an authorization under this section, an applicant must—
- (i) Meet the requirements of paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section; and
- (ii) If the applicant has not passed a practical test for this authorization during the 12 calendar months preceding the month of the test, then that person must—
- (A) Meet the requirements of §61.57(c); and
- (B) Have performed at least six ILS approaches during the 6 calendar months preceding the month of the test, of which at least three of the ap-

- proaches must have been conducted without the use of an approach coupler.
- (3) The approaches specified in paragraph (c)(2)(ii)(B) of this section—
- (i) Must be conducted under actual or simulated instrument flight conditions:
- (ii) Must be conducted to the decision height for the ILS approach in the type aircraft in which the practical test is to be conducted:
- (iii) Need not be conducted to the decision height authorized for Category II operations;
- (iv) Must be conducted to the decision height authorized for Category II operations only if conducted in a flight simulator or flight training device; and
- (v) Must be accomplished in an aircraft of the same category and class, and type, as applicable, as the aircraft in which the practical test is to be conducted or in a flight simulator that—
- (A) Represents an aircraft of the same category and class, and type, as applicable, as the aircraft in which the authorization is sought; and
- (B) Is used in accordance with an approved course conducted by a training center certificated under part 142 of this chapter.
- (4) The flight time acquired in meeting the requirements of paragraph (c)(2)(ii)(B) of this section may be used to meet the requirements of paragraph (c)(2)(ii)(A) of this section.
- (d) *Practical test procedures.* The practical test consists of an oral increment and a flight increment.
- (1) *Oral increment.* In the oral increment of the practical test an applicant must demonstrate knowledge of the following:
 - (i) Required landing distance;
- (ii) Recognition of the decision height;
- (iii) Missed approach procedures and techniques using computed or fixed attitude guidance displays;
 - (iv) Use and limitations of RVR;
- (v) Use of visual clues, their availability or limitations, and altitude at which they are normally discernible at reduced RVR readings;
- (vi) Procedures and techniques related to transition from nonvisual to visual flight during a final approach under reduced RVR;

(vii) Effects of vertical and horizontal windshear:

(viii) Characteristics and limitations of the ILS and runway lighting system;

(ix) Characteristics and limitations of the flight director system, auto approach coupler (including split axis type if equipped), auto throttle system (if equipped), and other required Category II equipment;

(x) Assigned duties of the second in command during Category II approaches, unless the aircraft for which authorization is sought does not require a second in command; and

(xi) Instrument and equipment failure warning systems.

(2) Flight increment. The following requirements apply to the flight increment of the practical test:

- (i) The flight increment must be conducted in an aircraft of the same category, class, and type, as applicable, as the aircraft in which the authorization is sought or in a flight simulator that—
- (A) Represents an aircraft of the same category and class, and type, as applicable, as the aircraft in which the authorization is sought; and
- (B) Is used in accordance with an approved course conducted by a training center certificated under part 142 of this chapter.

(ii) The flight increment must consist of at least two ILS approaches to 100 feet AGL including at least one landing and one missed approach.

(iii) All approaches performed during the flight increment must be made with the use of an approved flight control guidance system, except if an approved auto approach coupler is installed, at least one approach must be hand flown using flight director commands.

(iv) If a multiengine airplane with the performance capability to execute a missed approach with one engine inoperative is used for the practical test, the flight increment must include the performance of one missed approach with an engine, which shall be the most critical engine, if applicable, set at idle or zero thrust before reaching the middle marker.

(v) If a multiengine flight simulator or multiengine flight training device is used for the practical test, the applicant must execute a missed approach with the most critical engine, if applicable, failed.

- (vi) For an authorization for an aircraft that requires a type rating, the practical test must be performed in coordination with a second in command who holds a type rating in the aircraft in which the authorization is sought.
- (vii) Oral questioning may be conducted at any time during a practical test.

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§61.68 Category III pilot authorization requirements.

- (a) *General.* A person who applies for a Category III pilot authorization must hold:
- (1) At least a private pilot certificate or commercial pilot certificate with an instrument rating or an airline transport pilot certificate;
- (2) A type rating for the aircraft for which the authorization is sought if that aircraft requires a type rating;
- (3) A category and class rating for the aircraft for which the authorization is sought.
- (b) Experience requirements. An applicant for a Category III pilot authorization must have at least—
- (1) 50 hours of night flight time as pilot in command.
- (2) 75 hours of instrument flight time during actual or simulated instrument conditions that may include not more than—
- (i) A combination of 25 hours of simulated instrument flight time in a flight simulator or flight training device; or
- (ii) 40 hours of simulated instrument flight time if accomplished in an approved course conducted by an appropriately rated training center certificated under part 142 of this chapter.
- (3) 250 hours of cross-country flight time as pilot in command.
- (c) *Practical test requirements.* (1) A practical test must be passed by a person who applies for—
- (i) Issuance or renewal of a Category III pilot authorization; and
- (ii) The addition of another type of aircraft to the applicant's Category III pilot authorization.

- (2) To be eligible for the practical test for an authorization under this section, an applicant must—
- (i) Meet the requirements of paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section; and
- (ii) If the applicant has not passed a practical test for this authorization during the 12 calendar months preceding the month of the test, then that person must—
- (A) Meet the requirements of §61.57(c); and
- (B) Have performed at least six ILS approaches during the 6 calendar months preceding the month of the test, of which at least three of the approaches must have been conducted without the use of an approach coupler.
- (3) The approaches specified in paragraph (c)(2)(ii)(B) of this section—
- (i) Must be conducted under actual or simulated instrument flight conditions:
- (ii) Must be conducted to the alert height or decision height for the ILS approach in the type aircraft in which the practical test is to be conducted;
- (iii) Need not be conducted to the decision height authorized for Category III operations:
- (iv) Must be conducted to the alert height or decision height, as applicable, authorized for Category III operations only if conducted in a flight simulator or flight training device; and
- (v) Must be accomplished in an aircraft of the same category and class, and type, as applicable, as the aircraft in which the practical test is to be conducted or in a flight simulator that—
- (A) Represents an aircraft of the same category and class, and type, as applicable, as the aircraft for which the authorization is sought; and
- (B) Is used in accordance with an approved course conducted by a training center certificated under part 142 of this chapter.
- (4) The flight time acquired in meeting the requirements of paragraph (c)(2)(ii)(B) of this section may be used to meet the requirements of paragraph (c)(2)(ii)(A) of this section.
- (d) *Practical test procedures.* The practical test consists of an oral increment and a flight increment.
- (1) Oral increment. In the oral increment of the practical test an applicant

- must demonstrate knowledge of the following:
 - (i) Required landing distance;
- (ii) Determination and recognition of the alert height or decision height, as applicable, including use of a radar altimeter:
- (iii) Recognition of and proper reaction to significant failures encountered prior to and after reaching the alert height or decision height, as applicable:
- (iv) Missed approach procedures and techniques using computed or fixed attitude guidance displays and expected height loss as they relate to manual go-around or automatic go-around, and initiation altitude, as applicable;
- (v) Use and limitations of RVR, including determination of controlling RVR and required transmissometers;
- (vi) Use, availability, or limitations of visual cues and the altitude at which they are normally discernible at reduced RVR readings including—
- (A) Unexpected deterioration of conditions to less than minimum RVR during approach, flare, and rollout;
- (B) Demonstration of expected visual references with weather at minimum conditions;
- (C) The expected sequence of visual cues during an approach in which visibility is at or above landing minima; and
- (D) Procedures and techniques for making a transition from instrument reference flight to visual flight during a final approach under reduced RVR.
- (vii) Effects of vertical and horizontal windshear;
- (viii) Characteristics and limitations of the ILS and runway lighting system;
- (ix) Characteristics and limitations of the flight director system auto approach coupler (including split axis type if equipped), auto throttle system (if equipped), and other Category III equipment;
- (x) Assigned duties of the second in command during Category III operations, unless the aircraft for which authorization is sought does not require a second in command;
- (xi) Recognition of the limits of acceptable aircraft position and flight path tracking during approach, flare, and, if applicable, rollout; and

- (xii) Recognition of, and reaction to, airborne or ground system faults or abnormalities, particularly after passing alert height or decision height, as applicable.
- (2) Flight increment. The following requirements apply to the flight increment of the practical test—
- (i) The flight increment may be conducted in an aircraft of the same category and class, and type, as applicable, as the aircraft for which the authorization is sought, or in a flight simulator that—
- (A) Represents an aircraft of the same category and class, and type, as applicable, as the aircraft in which the authorization is sought; and
- (B) Is used in accordance with an approved course conducted by a training center certificated under part 142 of this chapter.
- (ii) The flight increment must consist of at least two ILS approaches to 100 feet AGL, including one landing and one missed approach initiated from a very low altitude that may result in a touchdown during the go-around maneuver;
- (iii) All approaches performed during the flight increment must be made with the approved automatic landing system or an equivalent landing system approved by the Administrator;
- (iv) If a multiengine aircraft with the performance capability to execute a missed approach with one engine inoperative is used for the practical test, the flight increment must include the performance of one missed approach with the most critical engine, if applicable, set at idle or zero thrust before reaching the middle or outer marker;
- (v) If a multiengine flight simulator or multiengine flight training device is used, a missed approach must be executed with an engine, which shall be the most critical engine, if applicable, failed;
- (vi) For an authorization for an aircraft that requires a type rating, the practical test must be performed in coordination with a second in command who holds a type rating in the aircraft in which the authorization is sought;
- (vii) Oral questioning may be conducted at any time during the practical test:

- (viii) Subject to the limitations of this paragraph, for Category IIIb operations predicated on the use of a fail-passive rollout control system, at least one manual rollout using visual reference or a combination of visual and instrument references must be executed. The maneuver required by this paragraph shall be initiated by a fail-passive disconnect of the rollout control system—
 - (A) After main gear touchdown;
 - (B) Prior to nose gear touchdown;
- (C) In conditions representative of the most adverse lateral touchdown displacement allowing a safe landing on the runway; and
- (D) In weather conditions anticipated in Category IIIb operations.

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§61.69 Glider and unpowered ultralight vehicle towing: Experience and training requirements.

- (a) No person may act as pilot in command for towing a glider or unpowered ultralight vehicle unless that person—
- (1) Holds at least a private pilot certificate with a category rating for powered aircraft;
- (2) Has logged at least 100 hours of pilot-in-command time in the aircraft category, class and type, if required, that the pilot is using to tow a glider or unpowered ultralight vehicle;
- (3) Has a logbook endorsement from an authorized instructor who certifies that the person has received ground and flight training in gliders or unpowered ultralight vehicles and is proficient in—
- (i) The techniques and procedures essential to the safe towing of gliders or unpowered ultralight vehicles, including airspeed limitations;
 - (ii) Emergency procedures;
 - (iii) Signals used; and
 - (iv) Maximum angles of bank.
- (4) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, has logged at least three flights as the sole manipulator of the controls of an aircraft towing a glider or unpowered ultralight vehicle simulating towing flight procedures while accompanied by a pilot who meets the requirements of paragraphs (c) and (d) of this section;

- (5) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, has received a logbook endorsement from the pilot, described in paragraph (a)(4) of this section, certifying that the person has accomplished at least 3 flights in an aircraft while towing a glider or unpowered ultralight vehicle, or while simulating towing flight procedures; and
- (6) Within the preceding 12 months has—
- (i) Made at least three actual or simulated tows of a glider or unpowered ultralight vehicle while accompanied by a qualified pilot who meets the requirements of this section; or
- (ii) Made at least three flights as pilot in command of a glider or unpowered ultralight vehicle towed by an aircraft.
- (b) Any person who, before May 17, 1967, has made and logged 10 or more flights as pilot in command of an aircraft towing a glider or unpowered ultralight vehicle in accordance with a certificate of waiver need not comply with paragraphs (a)(4) and (a)(5) of this section.
- (c) The pilot, described in paragraph (a)(4) of this section, who endorses the logbook of a person seeking towing privileges must have—
- (1) Met the requirements of this section prior to endorsing the logbook of the person seeking towing privileges; and
- (2) Logged at least 10 flights as pilot in command of an aircraft while towing a glider or unpowered ultralight vehicle
- (d) If the pilot described in paragraph (a)(4) of this section holds only a private pilot certificate, then that pilot must have—
- (1) Logged at least 100 hours of pilotin-command time in airplanes, or 200 hours of pilot-in-command time in a combination of powered and otherthan-powered aircraft; and
- (2) Performed and logged at least three flights within the 12 calendar months preceding the month that pilot accompanies or endorses the logbook of a person seeking towing privileges—
- (i) In an aircraft while towing a glider or unpowered ultralight vehicle accompanied by another pilot who meets the requirements of this section; or

(ii) As pilot in command of a glider or unpowered ultralight vehicle being towed by another aircraft.

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§61.71 Graduates of an approved training program other than under this part: Special rules.

- (a) A person who graduates from an approved training program under part 141 or part 142 of this chapter is considered to have met the applicable aeronautical experience, aeronautical knowledge, and areas of operation requirements of this part if that person presents the graduation certificate and passes the required practical test within the 60-day period after the date of graduation.
- (b) A person may apply for an airline transport pilot certificate, type rating, or both under this part, and will be considered to have met the applicable requirements under §61.157 of this part for that certificate and rating, if that person has:
- (1) Satisfactorily accomplished an approved training program and the pilot-in-command proficiency check for that airplane type, in accordance with the pilot-in-command requirements under subparts N and O of part 121 of this chapter; and
- (2) Applied for the airline transport pilot certificate, type rating, or both within the 60-day period from the date the person satisfactorily accomplished the approved training program and pilot-in-command proficiency check for that airplane type.

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§61.73 Military pilots or former military pilots: Special rules.

- (a) General. Except for a rated military pilot or former rated military pilot who has been removed from flying status for lack of proficiency, or because of disciplinary action involving aircraft operations, a rated military pilot or former rated military pilot who meets the applicable requirements of this section may apply, on the basis of his or her military training, for:
 - (1) A commercial pilot certificate;

- (2) An aircraft rating in the category and class of aircraft for which that military pilot is qualified;
- (3) An instrument rating with the appropriate aircraft rating for which that military pilot is qualified; or
 - (4) A type rating, if appropriate.
- (b) Military pilots on active flying status within the past 12 months. A rated military pilot or former rated military pilot who has been on active flying status within the 12 months before applying must:
- (1) Pass a knowledge test on the appropriate parts of this chapter that apply to pilot privileges and limitations, air traffic and general operating rules, and accident reporting rules;
- (2) Present documentation showing compliance with the requirements of paragraph (d) of this section for at least one aircraft category rating; and
- (3) Present documentation showing that the applicant is or was, at any time during the 12 calendar months before the month of application—
- (i) A rated military pilot on active flying status in an armed force of the United States; or
- (ii) A rated military pilot of an armed force of a foreign contracting State to the Convention on International Civil Aviation, assigned to pilot duties (other than flight training) with an armed force of the United States and holds, at the time of application, a current civil pilot license issued by that contracting State authorizing at least the privileges of the pilot certificate sought.
- (c) Military pilots not on active flying status during the 12 calendar months before the month of application. A rated military pilot or former rated military pilot who has not been on active flying status within the 12 calendar months before the month of application must:
- (1) Pass the appropriate knowledge and practical tests prescribed in this part for the certificate or rating sought; and
- (2) Present documentation showing that the applicant was, before the beginning of the 12th calendar month before the month of application, a rated military pilot as prescribed by paragraph (b)(3)(i) or paragraph (b)(3)(ii) of this section.

- (d) Aircraft category, class, and type ratings. A rated military pilot or former rated military pilot who applies for an aircraft category, class, or type rating, if applicable, is issued that rating at the commercial pilot certificate level if the pilot presents documentary evidence that shows satisfactory accomplishment of:
- (1) An official U.S. military pilot check and instrument proficiency check in that aircraft category, class, or type, if applicable, as pilot in command during the 12 calendar months before the month of application;
- (2) At least 10 hours of pilot-in-command time in that aircraft category, class, or type, if applicable, during the 12 calendar months before the month of application; or
- (3) An FAA practical test in that aircraft after—
- (i) Meeting the requirements of paragraphs (b)(1) and (b)(2) of this section; and
- (ii) Having received an endorsement from an authorized instructor who certifies that the pilot is proficient to take the required practical test, and that endorsement is made within the 60-day period preceding the date of the practical test.
- (e) Instrument rating. A rated military pilot or former rated military pilot who applies for an airplane instrument rating, a helicopter instrument rating, or a powered-lift instrument rating to be added to his or her commercial pilot certificate may apply for an instrument rating if the pilot has, within the 12 calendar months preceding the month of application:
- (1) Passed an instrument proficiency check by a U.S. Armed Force in the aircraft category for the instrument rating sought; and
- (2) Received authorization from a U.S. Armed Force to conduct IFR flights on Federal airways in that aircraft category and class for the instrument rating sought.
- (f) Aircraft type rating. An aircraft type rating is issued only for aircraft types that the Administrator has certificated for civil operations.
- (g) Aircraft type rating placed on an airline transport pilot certificate. A rated military pilot or former rated military pilot who holds an airline transport

pilot certificate and who requests an aircraft type rating to be placed on that person's airline transport pilot certificate may be issued that aircraft type rating at the airline transport pilot certificate level, provided that person:

- (1) Holds a category and class rating for that type of aircraft at the airline transport pilot certificate level; and
- (2) Passed an official U.S. military pilot check and instrument proficiency check in that type of aircraft as pilot in command during the 12 calendar months before the month of application.
- (h) *Evidentiary documents.* The following documents are satisfactory evidence for the purposes indicated:
- (1) An official identification card issued to the pilot by an armed force may be used to demonstrate membership in the armed forces.
- (2) An original or a copy of a certificate of discharge or release may be used to demonstrate discharge or release from an armed force or former membership in an armed force.
- (3) Current or previous status as a rated military pilot with a U.S. Armed Force may be demonstrated by—
- (i) An official U.S. Armed Force order to flight status as a military pilot;
- (ii) An official U.S. Armed Force form or logbook showing military pilot status; or
- (iii) An official order showing that the rated military pilot graduated from a U.S. military pilot school and received a rating as a military pilot.
- (4) A certified U.S. Armed Force logbook or an appropriate official U.S. Armed Force form or summary may be used to demonstrate flight time in military aircraft as a member of a U.S. Armed Force.
- (5) An official U.S. Armed Force record of a military checkout as pilot in command may be used to demonstrate pilot in command status.
- (6) A current instrument grade slip that is issued by a U.S. Armed Force, or an official record of satisfactory accomplishment of an instrument proficiency check during the 12 calendar months preceding the month of the ap-

plication may be used to demonstrate instrument pilot qualification.

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§61.75 Private pilot certificate issued on the basis of a foreign pilot license.

- (a) General. A person who holds a current foreign pilot license issued by a contracting State to the Convention on International Civil Aviation may apply for and be issued a private pilot certificate with the appropriate ratings when the application is based on the foreign pilot license that meets the requirements of this section.
- (b) Certificate issued. A U.S. private pilot certificate that is issued under this section shall specify the person's foreign license number and country of issuance. A person who holds a current foreign pilot license issued by a contracting State to the Convention on International Civil Aviation may be issued a private pilot certificate based on the foreign pilot license without any further showing of proficiency, provided the applicant:
- (1) Meets the requirements of this section:
- (2) Holds a foreign pilot license that—
- (i) Is not under an order of revocation or suspension by the foreign country that issued the foreign pilot license; and
- (ii) Does not contain an endorsement stating that the applicant has not met all of the standards of ICAO for that license:
- (3) Does not currently hold a U.S. pilot certificate;
- (4) Holds a current medical certificate issued under part 67 of this chapter or a current medical certificate issued by the country that issued the person's foreign pilot license; and
- (5) Is able to read, speak, write, and understand the English language. If the applicant is unable to meet one of these requirements due to medical reasons, then the Administrator may place such operating limitations on that applicant's pilot certificate as are necessary for the safe operation of the aircraft.
- (c) Aircraft ratings issued. Aircraft ratings listed on a person's foreign

pilot license, in addition to any issued after testing under the provisions of this part, may be placed on that per-

son's U.S. pilot certificate.

(d) Instrument ratings issued. A person who holds an instrument rating on the foreign pilot license issued by a contracting State to the Convention on International Civil Aviation may be issued an instrument rating on a U.S. private pilot certificate provided:

(1) The person's foreign pilot license authorizes instrument privileges;

- (2) Within 24 months preceding the month in which the person applies for the instrument rating, the person passes the appropriate knowledge test; and
- (3) The person is able to read, speak, write, and understand the English language. If the applicant is unable to meet one of these requirements due to medical reasons, then the Administrator may place such operating limitations on that applicant's pilot certificate as are necessary for the safe operation of the aircraft.
- (e) Operating privileges and limitations. A person who receives a U.S. private pilot certificate that has been issued under the provisions of this section:
- (1) May act as a pilot of a civil aircraft of U.S. registry in accordance with the private pilot privileges authorized by this part;
- (2) Is limited to the privileges placed on the certificate by the Administrator:
- (3) Is subject to the limitations and restrictions on the person's U.S. certificate and foreign pilot license when exercising the privileges of that U.S. pilot certificate in an aircraft of U.S. registry operating within or outside the United States; and
- (4) Shall not exercise the privileges of that U.S. private pilot certificate when the person's foreign pilot license has been revoked or suspended.
- (f) Limitation on licenses used as the basis for a U.S. certificate. Only one foreign pilot license may be used as a basis for issuing a U.S. private pilot certificate. The foreign pilot license and medical certification used as a basis for issuing a U.S. private pilot certificate under this section must be in the English language or accompanied by an English language tran-

scription that has been signed by an official or representative of the foreign aviation authority that issued the foreign pilot license.

(g) Limitation placed on a U.S. private pilot certificate. A U.S. private pilot certificate issued under this section is valid only when the holder has the foreign pilot license upon which the issuance of the U.S. private pilot certificate was based in the holder's personal possession or readily accessible in the aircraft.

§61.77 Special purpose pilot authorization: Operation of U.S.-registered civil aircraft leased by a person who is not a U.S. citizen.

- (a) General. The holder of a foreign pilot license issued by a contracting State to the Convention on International Civil Aviation who meets the requirements of this section may be issued a special purpose pilot authorization by the Administrator for the purpose of performing pilot duties—
- (1) On a civil aircraft of U.S. registry that is leased to a person who is not a citizen of the United States, and
- (2) For carrying persons or property for compensation or hire on that aircraft
- (b) *Eligibility*. To be eligible for the issuance or renewal of a special purpose pilot authorization, an applicant must present the following to an FAA Flight Standards District Office:
- (I) A current foreign pilot license that has been issued by the aeronautical authority of a contracting State to the Convention on International Civil Aviation from which the person holds citizenship or resident status and that contains the appropriate aircraft category, class, instrument rating, and type rating, if appropriate, for the aircraft to be flown;
- (2) A current certification by the lessee of the aircraft—
- (i) Stating that the applicant is employed by the lessee;
- (ii) Specifying the aircraft type on which the applicant will perform pilot duties; and
- (iii) Stating that the applicant has received ground and flight instruction that qualifies the applicant to perform the duties to be assigned on the aircraft.

- (3) Documentation showing when the applicant will reach the age of 60 years (an official copy of the applicant's birth certificate or other official documentation):
- (4) Documentation that the applicant meets the medical standards for the issuance of the foreign pilot license from the aeronautical authority of the contracting State to the Convention on International Civil Aviation where the applicant holds citizenship or resident status:
- (5) Documentation that the applicant meets the recent flight experience requirements of this part (a logbook or flight record); and
- (6) A statement that the applicant does not already hold a special purpose pilot authorization; however, if the applicant already holds a special purpose pilot authorization, then that special purpose pilot authorization must be surrendered to either the FAA Flight Standards District Office that issued it, or the FAA Flight Standards District Office processing the application for the authorization, prior to being issued another special purpose pilot authorization.
- (c) *Privileges.* A person issued a special purpose pilot authorization under this section—
- (1) May exercise the privileges prescribed on the special purpose pilot authorization; and
- (2) Must comply with the limitations specified in this section and any additional limitations specified on the special purpose pilot authorization.
- (d) General limitations. A special purpose pilot authorization is valid only—
- (1) For flights between foreign countries or for flights in foreign air commerce within the time period allotted on the authorization;
- (2) If the foreign pilot license required by paragraph (b)(1) of this section, the medical documentation required by paragraph (b)(4) of this section, and the special purpose pilot authorization issued under this section are in the holder's physical possession or immediately accessible in the aircraft;
- (3) While the holder is employed by the person to whom the aircraft described in the certification required by

- paragraph (b)(2) of this section is leased;
- (4) While the holder is performing pilot duties on the U.S.-registered aircraft described in the certification required by paragraph (b)(2) of this section; and
- (5) If the holder has only one special purpose pilot authorization as provided in paragraph (b)(6) of this section.
- (e) Age limitation. Except as provided in paragraph (g) of this section, no person who holds a special purpose pilot authorization issued under this part, and no person who holds a special purpose pilot certificate issued under this part before August 4, 1997, shall serve as a pilot on a civil airplane of U.S. registry if the person has reached his or her 60th birthday, in the following operations:
- (1) Scheduled international air services carrying passengers in turbojet-powered airplanes;
- (2) Scheduled international air services carrying passengers in airplanes having a passenger-seat configuration of more than nine passenger seats, excluding each crewmember seat;
- (3) Nonscheduled international air transportation for compensation or hire in airplanes having a passenger-seat configuration of more than 30 passenger seats, excluding each crewmember seat; or
- (4) Scheduled international air services, or nonscheduled international air transportation for compensation or hire, in airplanes having a payload capacity of more than 7,500 pounds.
- (f) Definitions. (1) International air service, as used in paragraph (e) of this section, means scheduled air service performed in airplanes for the public transport of passengers, mail, or cargo, in which the service passes through the air space over the territory of more than one country.
- (2) International air transportation, as used in paragraph (e) of this section, means air transportation performed in airplanes for the public transport of passengers, mail, or cargo, in which service passes through the air space over the territory of more than one country.
- (g) Delayed pilot age limitations for certain operations. Until December 20, 1999,

a person may serve as a pilot in the operations specified in paragraph (e) of this section after that person has reached his or her 60th birthday, if, on March 20, 1997, that person was employed as a pilot in any of the following operations:

- (1) Scheduled international air services carrying passengers in non-transport category turbopropeller-powered airplanes type certificated after December 31, 1964, that have a passenger-seat configuration of 10 to 19 seats:
- (2) Scheduled international air services carrying passengers in transport category turbopropeller-powered airplanes that have a passenger-seat configuration of 20 to 30 seats; or
- (3) Scheduled international air services carrying passengers in turbojet-powered airplanes having a passenger-seat configuration of 1 to 30 seats.
- (h) *Expiration date.* Each special purpose pilot authorization issued under this section expires—
- (1) 60 calendar months from the month it was issued, unless sooner suspended or revoked;
- (2) When the lease agreement for the aircraft expires or the lessee terminates the employment of the person who holds the special purpose pilot authorization;
- (3) Whenever the person's foreign pilot license has been suspended, revoked, or is no longer valid; or
- (4) When the person no longer meets the medical standards for the issuance of the foreign pilot license.
- (i) Renewal. A person exercising the privileges of a special purpose pilot authorization may apply for a 60-calendar-month extension of that authorization, provided the person—
- (1) Continues to meet the requirements of this section; and
- (2) Surrenders the expired special purpose pilot authorization upon receipt of the new authorization.
- (j) Surrender. The holder of a special purpose pilot authorization must surrender the authorization to the Administrator within 7 days after the date the authorization terminates.

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Subpart C—Student Pilots

§61.81 Applicability.

This subpart prescribes the requirements for the issuance of student pilot certificates, the conditions under which those certificates are necessary, and the general operating rules and limitations for the holders of those certificates.

§61.83 Eligibility requirements for student pilots.

To be eligible for a student pilot certificate, an applicant must:

- (a) Be at least 16 years of age for other than the operation of a glider or balloon.
- (b) Be at least 14 years of age for the operation of a glider or balloon.
- (c) Be able to read, speak, write, and understand the English language. If the applicant is unable to meet one of these requirements due to medical reasons, then the Administrator may place such operating limitations on that applicant's pilot certificate as are necessary for the safe operation of the aircraft.

§61.85 Application.

An application for a student pilot certificate is made on a form and in a manner provided by the Administrator and is submitted to:

- (a) A designated aviation medical examiner if applying for an FAA medical certificate under part 67 of this chapter;
 - (b) An examiner; or
- (c) A Flight Standards District Office

§61.87 Solo requirements for student pilots.

- (a) General. A student pilot may not operate an aircraft in solo flight unless that student has met the requirements of this section. The term "solo flight" as used in this subpart means that flight time during which a student pilot is the sole occupant of the aircraft or that flight time during which the student performs the duties of a pilot in command of a gas balloon or an airship requiring more than one pilot flight crewmember.
- (b) Aeronautical knowledge. A student pilot must demonstrate satisfactory

aeronautical knowledge on a knowledge test that meets the requirements of this paragraph:

- (1) The test must address the student pilot's knowledge of—
- (i) Applicable sections of parts 61 and 91 of this chapter;
- (ii) Airspace rules and procedures for the airport where the solo flight will be performed; and
- (iii) Flight characteristics and operational limitations for the make and model of aircraft to be flown.
- (2) The student's authorized instructor must—
 - (i) Administer the test; and
- (ii) At the conclusion of the test, review all incorrect answers with the student before authorizing that student to conduct a solo flight.
- (c) *Pre-solo flight training.* Prior to conducting a solo flight, a student pilot must have:
- (1) Received and logged flight training for the maneuvers and procedures of this section that are appropriate to the make and model of aircraft to be flown; and
- (2) Demonstrated satisfactory proficiency and safety, as judged by an authorized instructor, on the maneuvers and procedures required by this section in the make and model of aircraft or similar make and model of aircraft to be flown.
- (d) Maneuvers and procedures for presolo flight training in a single-engine airplane. A student pilot who is receiving training for a single-engine airplane rating or privileges must receive and log flight training for the following maneuvers and procedures:
- (1) Proper flight preparation procedures, including preflight planning and preparation, powerplant operation, and aircraft systems;
- (2) Taxiing or surface operations, including runups;
- (3) Takeoffs and landings, including normal and crosswind;
- (4) Straight and level flight, and turns in both directions;
 - (5) Climbs and climbing turns;
- (6) Airport traffic patterns, including entry and departure procedures;
- (7) Collision avoidance, windshear avoidance, and wake turbulence avoidance:

- (8) Descents, with and without turns, using high and low drag configurations;
- (9) Flight at various airspeeds from cruise to slow flight;
- (10) Stall entries from various flight attitudes and power combinations with recovery initiated at the first indication of a stall, and recovery from a full stall;
- (11) Emergency procedures and equipment malfunctions;
 - (12) Ground reference maneuvers;
- (13) Approaches to a landing area with simulated engine malfunctions;
 - (14) Slips to a landing; and
 - (15) Go-arounds.
- (e) Maneuvers and procedures for presolo flight training in a multiengine airplane. A student pilot who is receiving training for a multiengine airplane rating must receive and log flight training for the following maneuvers and procedures:
- (1) Proper flight preparation procedures, including preflight planning and preparation, powerplant operation, and aircraft systems;
- (2) Taxiing or surface operations, including runups;
- (3) Takeoffs and landings, including normal and crosswind;
- (4) Straight and level flight, and turns in both directions;
 - (5) Climbs and climbing turns;
- (6) Airport traffic patterns, including entry and departure procedures;
- (7) Collision avoidance, windshear avoidance, and wake turbulence avoidance:
- (8) Descents, with and without turns, using high and low drag configurations;
- (9) Flight at various airspeeds from cruise to slow flight;
- (10) Stall entries from various flight attitudes and power combinations with recovery initiated at the first indication of a stall, and recovery from a full stall;
- (11) Emergency procedures and equipment malfunctions;
 - (12) Ground reference maneuvers;
- (13) Approaches to a landing area with simulated engine malfunctions; and
 - (14) Go-arounds.
- (f) Maneuvers and procedures for presolo flight training in a helicopter. A student pilot who is receiving training for a helicopter rating must receive and

log flight training for the following maneuvers and procedures:

- (1) Proper flight preparation procedures, including preflight planning and preparation, powerplant operation, and aircraft systems;
- (2) Taxiing or surface operations, including runups;
- (3) Takeoffs and landings, including normal and crosswind;
- (4) Straight and level flight, and turns in both directions;
 - (5) Climbs and climbing turns;
- (6) Airport traffic patterns, including entry and departure procedures;
- (7) Collision avoidance, windshear avoidance, and wake turbulence avoidance;
 - (8) Descents with and without turns;
 - (9) Flight at various airspeeds;
- (10) Emergency procedures and equipment malfunctions;
 - (11) Ground reference maneuvers;
 - (12) Approaches to the landing area;
 - (13) Hovering and hovering turns;
 - (14) Go-arounds;
- (15) Simulated emergency procedures, including autorotational descents with a power recovery and power recovery to a hover;
 - (16) Rapid decelerations; and
- (17) Simulated one-engine-inoperative approaches and landings for multiengine helicopters.
- (g) Maneuvers and procedures for presolo flight training in a gyroplane. A student pilot who is receiving training for a gyroplane rating or privileges must receive and log flight training for the following maneuvers and procedures:
- (1) Proper flight preparation procedures, including preflight planning and preparation, powerplant operation, and aircraft systems;
- (2) Taxiing or surface operations, including runups;
- (3) Takeoffs and landings, including normal and crosswind;
- (4) Straight and level flight, and turns in both directions;
 - (5) Climbs and climbing turns;
- (6) Airport traffic patterns, including entry and departure procedures;
- (7) Collision avoidance, windshear avoidance, and wake turbulence avoidance:
 - (8) Descents with and without turns;
 - (9) Flight at various airspeeds;

- (10) Emergency procedures and equipment malfunctions;
 - (11) Ground reference maneuvers;
 - (12) Approaches to the landing area;
- (13) High rates of descent with power on and with simulated power off, and recovery from those flight configurations:
 - (14) Go-arounds; and
- (15) Simulated emergency procedures, including simulated power-off landings and simulated power failure during departures.
- (h) Maneuvers and procedures for presolo flight training in a powered-lift. A student pilot who is receiving training for a powered-lift rating must receive and log flight training in the following maneuvers and procedures:
- (1) Proper flight preparation procedures, including preflight planning and preparation, powerplant operation, and aircraft systems;
- (2) Taxiing or surface operations, including runups;
- (3) Takeoffs and landings, including normal and crosswind;
- (4) Straight and level flight, and turns in both directions;
 - (5) Climbs and climbing turns;
- (6) Airport traffic patterns, including entry and departure procedures;
- (7) Collision avoidance, windshear avoidance, and wake turbulence avoidance:
 - (8) Descents with and without turns;
- (9) Flight at various airspeeds from cruise to slow flight;
- (10) Stall entries from various flight attitudes and power combinations with recovery initiated at the first indication of a stall, and recovery from a full stall:
- (11) Emergency procedures and equipment malfunctions;
 - (12) Ground reference maneuvers;
- (13) Approaches to a landing with simulated engine malfunctions;
 - (14) Go-arounds;
 - (15) Approaches to the landing area;
 - (16) Hovering and hovering turns; and
- (17) For multiengine powered-lifts, simulated one-engine-inoperative approaches and landings.
- (i) Maneuvers and procedures for presolo flight training in a glider. A student pilot who is receiving training for a glider rating or privileges must receive

and log flight training for the following maneuvers and procedures:

- (1) Proper flight preparation procedures, including preflight planning, preparation, aircraft systems, and, if appropriate, powerplant operations;
- (2) Taxiing or surface operations, including runups, if applicable;
- (3) Launches, including normal and crosswind:
- (4) Straight and level flight, and turns in both directions, if applicable;
- (5) Airport traffic patterns, including entry procedures;
- (6) Collision avoidance, windshear avoidance, and wake turbulence avoidance:
- (7) Descents with and without turns using high and low drag configurations;
 - (8) Flight at various airspeeds;
- (9) Emergency procedures and equipment malfunctions;
- (10) Ground reference maneuvers, if applicable;
- (11) Inspection of towline rigging and review of signals and release procedures, if applicable;
- (12) Aerotow, ground tow, or self-launch procedures;
- (13) Procedures for disassembly and assembly of the glider;
- (14) Stall entry, stall, and stall recovery:
- (15) Straight glides, turns, and spirals:
- (16) Landings, including normal and crosswind;
 - (17) Slips to a landing;
- (18) Procedures and techniques for thermalling; and
- (19) Emergency operations, including towline break procedures.
- (j) Maneuvers and procedures for presolo flight training in an airship. A student pilot who is receiving training for an airship rating or privileges must receive and log flight training for the following maneuvers and procedures:
- (1) Proper flight preparation procedures, including preflight planning and preparation, powerplant operation, and aircraft systems;
- (2) Taxiing or surface operations, including runups;
- (3) Takeoffs and landings, including normal and crosswind;
- (4) Straight and level flight, and turns in both directions;
 - (5) Climbs and climbing turns;

- (6) Airport traffic patterns, including entry and departure procedures;
- (7) Collision avoidance, windshear avoidance, and wake turbulence avoidance:
 - (8) Descents with and without turns;
- (9) Flight at various airspeeds from cruise to slow flight;
- (10) Emergency procedures and equipment malfunctions;
 - (11) Ground reference maneuvers;
- (12) Rigging, ballasting, and controlling pressure in the ballonets, and superheating; and
- (13) Landings with positive and with negative static trim.
- (k) Maneuvers and procedures for presolo flight training in a balloon. A student pilot who is receiving training in a balloon must receive and log flight training for the following maneuvers and procedures:
 - (1) Layout and assembly procedures;
- (2) Proper flight preparation procedures, including preflight planning and preparation, and aircraft systems;
 - (3) Ascents and descents;
 - (4) Landing and recovery procedures;
- (5) Emergency procedures and equipment malfunctions;
- (6) Operation of hot air or gas source, ballast, valves, vents, and rip panels, as appropriate;
- (7) Use of deflation valves or rip panels for simulating an emergency;
- (8) The effects of wind on climb and approach angles; and
- (9) Obstruction detection and avoidance techniques.
- (l) Maneuvers and procedures for presolo flight training in a powered parachute. A student pilot who is receiving training for a powered parachute rating or privileges must receive and log flight training for the following maneuvers and procedures:
- (1) Proper flight preparation procedures, including preflight planning and preparation, preflight assembly and rigging, aircraft systems, and power-plant operations.
- (2) Taxiing or surface operations, including run-ups.
- (3) Takeoffs and landings, including normal and crosswind.
- (4) Straight and level flight, and turns in both directions.
- (5) Climbs, and climbing turns in both directions.

- (6) Airport traffic patterns, including entry and departure procedures.
- (7) Collision avoidance, windshear avoidance, and wake turbulence avoidance.
- (8) Descents, and descending turns in both directions.
- (9) Emergency procedures and equipment malfunctions.
 - (10) Ground reference maneuvers.
- (11) Straight glides, and gliding turns in both directions.
 - (12) Go-arounds.
- (13) Approaches to landing areas with a simulated engine malfunction.
- (14) Procedures for canopy packing and aircraft disassembly.
- (m) Maneuvers and procedures for presolo flight training in a weight-shift-control aircraft. A student pilot who is receiving training for a weight-shift-control aircraft rating or privileges must receive and log flight training for the following maneuvers and procedures:
- (1) Proper flight preparation procedures, including preflight planning and preparation, preflight assembly and rigging, aircraft systems, and power-plant operations.
- (2) Taxiing or surface operations, including run-ups.
- (3) Takeoffs and landings, including normal and crosswind.
- (4) Straight and level flight, and turns in both directions.
- (5) Climbs, and climbing turns in both directions.
- (6) Airport traffic patterns, including entry and departure procedures.
- (7) Collision avoidance, windshear avoidance, and wake turbulence avoidance.
- (8) Descents, and descending turns in both directions.
- (9) Flight at various airspeeds from maximum cruise to slow flight.
- (10) Emergency procedures and equipment malfunctions.
 - (11) Ground reference maneuvers.
- (12) Stall entry, stall, and stall recovery.
- (13) Straight glides, and gliding turns in both directions.
 - (14) Go-arounds.
- (15) Approaches to landing areas with a simulated engine malfunction.
 - (16) Procedures for disassembly.
- (n) Limitations on student pilots operating an aircraft in solo flight. A student

- pilot may not operate an aircraft in solo flight unless that student pilot has received:
- (1) An endorsement from an authorized instructor on his or her student pilot certificate for the specific make and model aircraft to be flown; and
- (2) An endorsement in the student's logbook for the specific make and model aircraft to be flown by an authorized instructor, who gave the training within the 90 days preceding the date of the flight.
- (o) Limitations on student pilots operating an aircraft in solo flight at night. A student pilot may not operate an aircraft in solo flight at night unless that student pilot has received:
- (1) Flight training at night on night flying procedures that includes takeoffs, approaches, landings, and goarounds at night at the airport where the solo flight will be conducted;
- (2) Navigation training at night in the vicinity of the airport where the solo flight will be conducted; and
- (3) An endorsement in the student's logbook for the specific make and model aircraft to be flown for night solo flight by an authorized instructor who gave the training within the 90-day period preceding the date of the flight.
- (p) Limitations on flight instructors authorizing solo flight. (1) No instructor may authorize a student pilot to perform a solo flight unless that instructor has—
- (i) Given that student pilot training in the make and model of aircraft or a similar make and model of aircraft in which the solo flight is to be flown;
- (ii) Determined the student pilot is proficient in the maneuvers and procedures prescribed in this section;
- (iii) Determined the student pilot is proficient in the make and model of aircraft to be flown;
- (iv) Ensured that the student pilot's certificate has been endorsed by an instructor authorized to provide flight training for the specific make and model aircraft to be flown; and
- (v) Endorsed the student pilot's logbook for the specific make and model aircraft to be flown, and that endorsement remains current for solo flight

privileges, provided an authorized instructor updates the student's logbook every 90 days thereafter.

(2) The flight training required by this section must be given by an instructor authorized to provide flight training who is appropriately rated and current.

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§61.89 General limitations.

- (a) A student pilot may not act as pilot in command of an aircraft:
 - (1) That is carrying a passenger;
- (2) That is carrying property for compensation or hire:
 - (3) For compensation or hire;
 - (4) In furtherance of a business:
- (5) On an international flight, except that a student pilot may make solo training flights from Haines, Gustavus, or Juneau, Alaska, to White Horse, Yukon, Canada, and return over the province of British Columbia;
- (6) With a flight or surface visibility of less than 3 statute miles during daylight hours or 5 statute miles at night;
- (7) When the flight cannot be made with visual reference to the surface; or
- (8) In a manner contrary to any limitations placed in the pilot's logbook by an authorized instructor.
- (b) A student pilot may not act as a required pilot flight crewmember on any aircraft for which more than one pilot is required by the type certificate of the aircraft or regulations under which the flight is conducted, except when receiving flight training from an authorized instructor on board an airship, and no person other than a required flight crewmember is carried on the aircraft.
- (c) A student pilot seeking a sport pilot certificate must comply with the provisions of paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section and may not act as pilot in command—
- (1) Of an aircraft other than a lightsport aircraft;
 - (2) At night;
- (3) At an altitude of more than 10,000 feet MSL; and
- (4) In Class B, C, and D airspace, at an airport located in Class B, C, or D airspace, and to, from, through, or on

an airport having an operational control tower without having received the ground and flight training specified in §61.94 and an endorsement from an authorized instructor.

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§61.91 [Reserved]

§61.93 Solo cross-country flight requirements.

- (a) *General.* (1) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, a student pilot must meet the requirements of this section before—
- (i) Conducting a solo cross-country flight, or any flight greater than 25 nautical miles from the airport from where the flight originated.
- (ii) Making a solo flight and landing at any location other than the airport of origination.
- (2) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, a student pilot who seeks solo cross-country flight privileges must:
- (i) Have received flight training from an instructor authorized to provide flight training on the maneuvers and procedures of this section that are appropriate to the make and model of aircraft for which solo cross-country privileges are sought;
- (ii) Have demonstrated cross-country proficiency on the appropriate maneuvers and procedures of this section to an authorized instructor;
- (iii) Have satisfactorily accomplished the pre-solo flight maneuvers and procedures required by §61.87 of this part in the make and model of aircraft or similar make and model of aircraft for which solo cross-country privileges are sought; and
- (iv) Comply with any limitations included in the authorized instructor's endorsement that are required by paragraph (c) of this section.
- (3) A student pilot who seeks solo cross-country flight privileges must have received ground and flight training from an authorized instructor on the cross-country maneuvers and procedures listed in this section that are appropriate to the aircraft to be flown.
- (b) Authorization to perform certain solo flights and cross-country flights. A

student pilot must obtain an endorsement from an authorized instructor to make solo flights from the airport where the student pilot normally receives training to another location. A student pilot who receives this endorsement must comply with the requirements of this paragraph.

(1) Solo flights may be made to another airport that is within 25 nautical miles from the airport where the student pilot normally receives training,

provided-

- (i) An authorized instructor has given the student pilot flight training at the other airport, and that training includes flight in both directions over the route, entering and exiting the traffic pattern, and takeoffs and landings at the other airport;
- (ii) The authorized instructor who gave the training endorses the student pilot's logbook authorizing the flight;
- (iii) The student pilot has current solo flight endorsements in accordance with §61.87 of this part;
- (iv) The authorized instructor has determined that the student pilot is proficient to make the flight; and
- (v) The purpose of the flight is to practice takeoffs and landings at that other airport.
- (2) Repeated specific solo cross-country flights may be made to another airport that is within 50 nautical miles of the airport from which the flight originated, provided-
- (i) The authorized instructor has given the student flight training in both directions over the route, including entering and exiting the traffic patterns, takeoffs, and landings at the airports to be used;
- (ii) The authorized instructor who gave the training has endorsed the student's logbook certifying that the student is proficient to make such flights;

(iii) The student has current solo flight endorsements in accordance with

§61.87 of this part; and

(iv) The student has current solo cross-country flight endorsements in accordance with paragraph (c) of this section; however, for repeated solo cross-country flights to another airport within 50 nautical miles from which the flight originated, separate endorsements are not required to be made for each flight.

- (c) Endorsements for solo cross-country flights. Except as specified in paragraph (b)(2) of this section, a student pilot must have the endorsements prescribed in this paragraph for each cross-country flight:
- (1) Student pilot certificate endorse*ment.* A student pilot must have a solo cross-country endorsement from the authorized instructor who conducted the training, and that endorsement must be placed on that person's student pilot certificate for the specific category of aircraft to be flown.

(2) Logbook endorsement. (i) A student pilot must have a solo cross-country endorsement from an authorized instructor that is placed in the student pilot's logbook for the specific make and model of aircraft to be flown

- (ii) For each cross-country flight, the authorized instructor who reviews the cross-country planning must make an endorsement in the person's logbook after reviewing that person's crosscountry planning, as specified in paragraph (d) of this section. The endorsement must-
- (A) Specify the make and model of aircraft to be flown;
- (B) State that the student's preflight planning and preparation is correct and that the student is prepared to make the flight safely under the known conditions; and
- (C) State that any limitations required by the student's authorized instructor are met.
- (d) Limitations on authorized instructors to permit solo cross-country flights. An authorized instructor may not permit a student pilot to conduct a solo cross-country flight unless that instructor has:
- (1) Determined that the student's cross-country planning is correct for the flight;
- (2) Reviewed the current and forecast weather conditions and has determined that the flight can be completed under VFR:
- (3) Determined that the student is proficient to conduct the flight safely;
- (4) Determined that the student has the appropriate solo cross-country endorsement for the make and model of aircraft to be flown; and
- (5) Determined that the student's solo flight endorsement is current for

the make and model aircraft to be flown.

- (e) Maneuvers and procedures for cross-country flight training in a single-engine airplane. A student pilot who is receiving training for cross-country flight in a single-engine airplane must receive and log flight training in the following maneuvers and procedures:
- (1) Use of aeronautical charts for VFR navigation using pilotage and dead reckoning with the aid of a magnetic compass;
- (2) Use of aircraft performance charts pertaining to cross-country flight;
- (3) Procurement and analysis of aeronautical weather reports and forecasts, including recognition of critical weather situations and estimating visibility while in flight;
 - (4) Emergency procedures;
- (5) Traffic pattern procedures that include area departure, area arrival, entry into the traffic pattern, and approach;
- (6) Procedures and operating practices for collision avoidance, wake turbulence precautions, and windshear avoidance;
- (7) Recognition, avoidance, and operational restrictions of hazardous terrain features in the geographical area where the cross-country flight will be flown;
- (8) Procedures for operating the instruments and equipment installed in the aircraft to be flown, including recognition and use of the proper operational procedures and indications;
- (9) Use of radios for VFR navigation and two-way communications;
- (10) Takeoff, approach, and landing procedures, including short-field, soft-field, and crosswind takeoffs, approaches, and landings;
- (11) Climbs at best angle and best rate; and
- (12) Control and maneuvering solely by reference to flight instruments, including straight and level flight, turns, descents, climbs, use of radio aids, and ATC directives.
- (f) Maneuvers and procedures for cross-country flight training in a multiengine airplane. A student pilot who is receiving training for cross-country flight in a multiengine airplane must receive and log flight training in the following maneuvers and procedures:

- (1) Use of aeronautical charts for VFR navigation using pilotage and dead reckoning with the aid of a magnetic compass;
- (2) Use of aircraft performance charts pertaining to cross-country flight;
- (3) Procurement and analysis of aeronautical weather reports and forecasts, including recognition of critical weather situations and estimating visibility while in flight;
 - (4) Emergency procedures;
- (5) Traffic pattern procedures that include area departure, area arrival, entry into the traffic pattern, and approach;
- (6) Procedures and operating practices for collision avoidance, wake turbulence precautions, and windshear avoidance;
- (7) Recognition, avoidance, and operational restrictions of hazardous terrain features in the geographical area where the cross-country flight will be flown:
- (8) Procedures for operating the instruments and equipment installed in the aircraft to be flown, including recognition and use of the proper operational procedures and indications;
- (9) Use of radios for VFR navigation and two-way communications;
- (10) Takeoff, approach, and landing procedures, including short-field, soft-field, and crosswind takeoffs, approaches, and landings;
- (11) Climbs at best angle and best rate; and
- (12) Control and maneuvering solely by reference to flight instruments, including straight and level flight, turns, descents, climbs, use of radio aids, and ATC directives.
- (g) Maneuvers and procedures for cross-country flight training in a helicopter. A student pilot who is receiving training for cross-country flight in a helicopter must receive and log flight training for the following maneuvers and procedures:
- (1) Use of aeronautical charts for VFR navigation using pilotage and dead reckoning with the aid of a magnetic compass;
- (2) Use of aircraft performance charts pertaining to cross-country flight;
- (3) Procurement and analysis of aeronautical weather reports and forecasts,

including recognition of critical weather situations and estimating visibility while in flight;

- (4) Emergency procedures;
- (5) Traffic pattern procedures that include area departure, area arrival, entry into the traffic pattern, and approach;
- (6) Procedures and operating practices for collision avoidance, wake turbulence precautions, and windshear avoidance:
- (7) Recognition, avoidance, and operational restrictions of hazardous terrain features in the geographical area where the cross-country flight will be flown:
- (8) Procedures for operating the instruments and equipment installed in the aircraft to be flown, including recognition and use of the proper operational procedures and indications;
- (9) Use of radios for VFR navigation and two-way communications; and
- (10) Takeoff, approach, and landing procedures.
- (h) Maneuvers and procedures for crosscountry flight training in a gyroplane. A student pilot who is receiving training for cross-country flight in a gyroplane must receive and log flight training in the following maneuvers and procedures:
- (1) Use of aeronautical charts for VFR navigation using pilotage and dead reckoning with the aid of a magnetic compass;
- (2) Use of aircraft performance charts pertaining to cross-country flight;
- (3) Procurement and analysis of aeronautical weather reports and forecasts, including recognition of critical weather situations and estimating visibility while in flight;
 - (4) Emergency procedures;
- (5) Traffic pattern procedures that include area departure, area arrival, entry into the traffic pattern, and approach;
- (6) Procedures and operating practices for collision avoidance, wake turbulence precautions, and windshear avoidance:
- (7) Recognition, avoidance, and operational restrictions of hazardous terrain features in the geographical area where the cross-country flight will be flown;

- (8) Procedures for operating the instruments and equipment installed in the aircraft to be flown, including recognition and use of the proper operational procedures and indications;
- (9) Use of radios for VFR navigation and two-way communications; and
- (10) Takeoff, approach, and landing procedures, including short-field and soft-field takeoffs, approaches, and landings.
- (i) Maneuvers and procedures for cross-country flight training in a powered-lift. A student pilot who is receiving training for cross-country flight training in a powered-lift must receive and log flight training in the following maneuvers and procedures:
- (1) Use of aeronautical charts for VFR navigation using pilotage and dead reckoning with the aid of a magnetic compass;
- (2) Use of aircraft performance charts pertaining to cross-country flight;
- (3) Procurement and analysis of aeronautical weather reports and forecasts, including recognition of critical weather situations and estimating visibility while in flight;
 - (4) Emergency procedures;
- (5) Traffic pattern procedures that include area departure, area arrival, entry into the traffic pattern, and approach;
- (6) Procedures and operating practices for collision avoidance, wake turbulence precautions, and windshear avoidance;
- (7) Recognition, avoidance, and operational restrictions of hazardous terrain features in the geographical area where the cross-country flight will be flown;
- (8) Procedures for operating the instruments and equipment installed in the aircraft to be flown, including recognition and use of the proper operational procedures and indications;
- (9) Use of radios for VFR navigation and two-way communications;
- (10) Takeoff, approach, and landing procedures that include high-altitude, steep, and shallow takeoffs, approaches, and landings; and
- (11) Control and maneuvering solely by reference to flight instruments, including straight and level flight, turns, descents, climbs, use of radio aids, and ATC directives.

- (j) Maneuvers and procedures for crosscountry flight training in a glider. A student pilot who is receiving training for cross-country flight in a glider must receive and log flight training in the following maneuvers and procedures:
- (1) Use of aeronautical charts for VFR navigation using pilotage and dead reckoning with the aid of a magnetic compass;
- (2) Use of aircraft performance charts pertaining to cross-country flight;
- (3) Procurement and analysis of aeronautical weather reports and forecasts, including recognition of critical weather situations and estimating visibility while in flight;
 - (4) Emergency procedures;
- (5) Traffic pattern procedures that include area departure, area arrival, entry into the traffic pattern, and approach;
- (6) Procedures and operating practices for collision avoidance, wake turbulence precautions, and windshear avoidance:
- (7) Recognition, avoidance, and operational restrictions of hazardous terrain features in the geographical area where the cross-country flight will be flown;
- (8) Procedures for operating the instruments and equipment installed in the aircraft to be flown, including recognition and use of the proper operational procedures and indications;
- (9) Landings accomplished without the use of the altimeter from at least 2,000 feet above the surface; and
- (10) Recognition of weather and upper air conditions favorable for cross-country soaring, ascending and descending flight, and altitude control.
- (k) Maneuvers and procedures for crosscountry flight training in an airship. A student pilot who is receiving training for cross-country flight in an airship must receive and log flight training for the following maneuvers and procedures:
- (1) Use of aeronautical charts for VFR navigation using pilotage and dead reckoning with the aid of a magnetic compass:
- (2) Use of aircraft performance charts pertaining to cross-country flight;
- (3) Procurement and analysis of aeronautical weather reports and forecasts, including recognition of critical weath-

- er situations and estimating visibility while in flight;
 - (4) Emergency procedures;
- (5) Traffic pattern procedures that include area departure, area arrival, entry into the traffic pattern, and approach;
- (6) Procedures and operating practices for collision avoidance, wake turbulence precautions, and windshear avoidance:
- (7) Recognition, avoidance, and operational restrictions of hazardous terrain features in the geographical area where the cross-country flight will be flown;
- (8) Procedures for operating the instruments and equipment installed in the aircraft to be flown, including recognition and use of the proper operational procedures and indications;
- (9) Use of radios for VFR navigation and two-way communications;
- (10) Control of air pressure with regard to ascending and descending flight and altitude control;
- (11) Control of the airship solely by reference to flight instruments; and
- (12) Recognition of weather and upper air conditions conducive for the direction of cross-country flight.
- (l) Maneuvers and procedures for cross-country flight training in a powered parachute. A student pilot who is receiving training for cross-country flight in a powered parachute must receive and log flight training in the following maneuvers and procedures:
- (1) Use of aeronautical charts for VFR navigation using pilotage and dead reckoning with the aid of a magnetic compass, as appropriate.
- (2) Use of aircraft performance charts pertaining to cross-country flight.
- (3) Procurement and analysis of aeronautical weather reports and forecasts, including recognizing critical weather situations and estimating visibility while in flight.
 - (4) Emergency procedures.
- (5) Traffic pattern procedures that include area departure, area arrival, entry into the traffic pattern, and approach.
- (6) Procedures and operating practices for collision avoidance, wake turbulence precautions, and windshear avoidance.

- (7) Recognition, avoidance, and operational restrictions of hazardous terrain features in the geographical area where the cross-country flight will be flown.
- (8) Procedures for operating the instruments and equipment installed in the aircraft to be flown, including recognition and use of the proper operational procedures and indications.
- (9) If equipped for flight with navigation radios, the use of radios for VFR navigation.
- (10) Recognition of weather and upper air conditions favorable for the cross-country flight.
- (11) Takeoff, approach and landing procedures.
- (m) Maneuvers and procedures for cross-country flight training in a weight-shift-control aircraft. A student pilot who is receiving training for cross-country flight in a weight-shift-control aircraft must receive and log flight training for the following maneuvers and procedures:
- (1) Use of aeronautical charts for VFR navigation using pilotage and dead reckoning with the aid of a magnetic compass, as appropriate.
- (2) Use of aircraft performance charts pertaining to cross-country flight.
- (3) Procurement and analysis of aeronautical weather reports and forecasts, including recognizing critical weather situations and estimating visibility while in flight.
 - (4) Emergency procedures.
- (5) Traffic pattern procedures that include area departure, area arrival, entry into the traffic pattern, and approach.
- (6) Procedures and operating practices for collision avoidance, wake turbulence precautions, and windshear avoidance.
- (7) Recognition, avoidance, and operational restrictions of hazardous terrain features in the geographical area where the cross-country flight will be flown.
- (8) Procedures for operating the instruments and equipment installed in the aircraft to be flown, including recognition and use of the proper operational procedures and indications.
- (9) If equipped for flight using navigation radios, the use of radios for VFR navigation.

- (10) Recognition of weather and upper air conditions favorable for the cross-country flight.
- (11) Takeoff, approach and landing procedures, including crosswind approaches and landings.

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- §61.94 Student pilot seeking a sport pilot certificate or a recreational pilot certificate: Operations at airports within, and in airspace located within, Class B, C, and D airspace, or at airports with an operational control tower in other airspace.
- (a) A student pilot seeking a sport pilot certificate or a recreational pilot certificate who wants to obtain privileges to operate in Class B, C, and D airspace, at an airport located in Class B, C, or D airspace, and to, from, through, or at an airport having an operational control tower, must receive and log ground and flight training from an authorized instructor in the following aeronautical knowledge areas and areas of operation:
- (1) The use of radios, communications, navigation systems and facilities, and radar services.
- (2) Operations at airports with an operating control tower, to include three takeoffs and landings to a full stop, with each landing involving a flight in the traffic pattern, at an airport with an operating control tower.
- (3) Applicable flight rules of part 91 of this chapter for operations in Class B, C, and D airspace and air traffic control clearances.
- (4) Ground and flight training for the specific Class B, C, or D airspace for which the solo flight is authorized, if applicable, within the 90-day period preceding the date of the flight in that airspace. The flight training must be received in the specific airspace area for which solo flight is authorized.
- (5) Ground and flight training for the specific airport located in Class B, C, or D airspace for which the solo flight is authorized, if applicable, within the 90-day period preceding the date of the flight at that airport. The flight and ground training must be received at the specific airport for which solo flight is authorized.

(b) The authorized instructor who provides the training specified in paragraph (a) of this section must provide a logbook endorsement that certifies the student has received that training and is proficient to conduct solo flight in that specific airspace or at that specific airport and in those aeronautical knowledge areas and areas of operation specified in this section.

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§61.95 Operations in Class B airspace and at airports located within Class B airspace.

- (a) A student pilot may not operate an aircraft on a solo flight in Class B airspace unless:
- (1) The student pilot has received both ground and flight training from an authorized instructor on that Class B airspace area, and the flight training was received in the specific Class B airspace area for which solo flight is authorized;
- (2) The logbook of that student pilot has been endorsed by the authorized instructor who gave the student pilot flight training, and the endorsement is dated within the 90-day period preceding the date of the flight in that Class B airspace area; and
- (3) The logbook endorsement specifies that the student pilot has received the required ground and flight training, and has been found proficient to conduct solo flight in that specific Class B airspace area.
- (b) A student pilot may not operate an aircraft on a solo flight to, from, or at an airport located within Class B airspace pursuant to §91.131(b) of this chapter unless:
- (1) The student pilot has received both ground and flight training from an instructor authorized to provide training to operate at that airport, and the flight and ground training has been received at the specific airport for which the solo flight is authorized;
- (2) The logbook of that student pilot has been endorsed by an authorized instructor who gave the student pilot flight training, and the endorsement is dated within the 90-day period preceding the date of the flight at that airport; and

- (3) The logbook endorsement specifies that the student pilot has received the required ground and flight training, and has been found proficient to conduct solo flight operations at that specific airport.
- (c) This section does not apply to a student pilot seeking a sport pilot certificate or a recreational pilot certificate

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Subpart D—Recreational Pilots

§61.96 Applicability and eligibility requirements: General.

- (a) This subpart prescribes the requirement for the issuance of recreational pilot certificates and ratings, the conditions under which those certificates and ratings are necessary, and the general operating rules for persons who hold those certificates and ratings.
- (b) To be eligible for a recreational pilot certificate, a person who applies for that certificate must:
 - (1) Be at least 17 years of age;
- (2) Be able to read, speak, write, and understand the English language. If the applicant is unable to meet one of these requirements due to medical reasons, then the Administrator may place such operating limitations on that applicant's pilot certificate as are necessary for the safe operation of the aircraft;
- (3) Receive a logbook endorsement from an authorized instructor who—
- (i) Conducted the training or reviewed the applicant's home study on the aeronautical knowledge areas listed in §61.97(b) of this part that apply to the aircraft category and class rating sought; and
- (ii) Certified that the applicant is prepared for the required knowledge test
- (4) Pass the required knowledge test on the aeronautical knowledge areas listed in §61.97(b) of this part;
- (5) Receive flight training and a logbook endorsement from an authorized instructor who—
- (i) Conducted the training on the areas of operation listed in §61.98(b) of this part that apply to the aircraft category and class rating sought; and

- (ii) Certified that the applicant is prepared for the required practical test.
- (6) Meet the aeronautical experience requirements of §61.99 of this part that apply to the aircraft category and class rating sought before applying for the practical test;

(7) Pass the required practical test on the areas of operation listed in §61.98(b) of this part that apply to the aircraft category and class rating sought; and

(8) Comply with the sections of this part that apply to the aircraft category and class rating sought.

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§61.97 Aeronautical knowledge.

(a) General. A person who applies for a recreational pilot certificate must receive and log ground training from an authorized instructor or complete a home-study course on the aeronautical knowledge areas of paragraph (b) of this section that apply to the aircraft category and class rating sought.

(b) Aeronautical knowledge areas. (1) Applicable Federal Aviation Regulations of this chapter that relate to recreational pilot privileges, limitations,

and flight operations;

(2) Accident reporting requirements of the National Transportation Safety Board;

(3) Use of the applicable portions of the "Aeronautical Information Manual" and FAA advisory circulars;

(4) Use of aeronautical charts for VFR navigation using pilotage with

the aid of a magnetic compass;

(5) Recognition of critical weather situations from the ground and in flight, windshear avoidance, and the procurement and use of aeronautical weather reports and forecasts;

(6) Safe and efficient operation of aircraft, including collision avoidance, and recognition and avoidance of wake turbulence;

- (7) Effects of density altitude on takeoff and climb performance;
 - (8) Weight and balance computations; (9) Principles of aerodynamics, pow-

erplants, and aircraft systems;

(10) Stall awareness, spin entry, spins, and spin recovery techniques, if applying for an airplane single-engine rating;

- (11) Aeronautical decision making and judgment; and
 - (12) Preflight action that includes—
- (i) How to obtain information on runway lengths at airports of intended use, data on takeoff and landing distances, weather reports and forecasts, and fuel requirements; and

(ii) How to plan for alternatives if the planned flight cannot be completed or delays are encountered.

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§61.98 Flight proficiency.

- (a) General. A person who applies for a recreational pilot certificate must receive and log ground and flight training from an authorized instructor on the areas of operation of this section that apply to the aircraft category and class rating sought.
- (b) Areas of operation. (1) For a singleengine airplane rating: (i) Preflight preparation;
 - (ii) Preflight procedures;
 - (iii) Airport operations;
- (iv) Takeoffs, landings, and goarounds;
 - (v) Performance maneuvers;
 - (vi) Ground reference maneuvers;
 - (vii) Navigation;
 - (viii) Slow flight and stalls;
 - (ix) Emergency operations; and
 - (x) Postflight procedures.
- (2) For a helicopter rating: (i) Preflight preparation;
 - (ii) Preflight procedures;
 - (iii) Airport and heliport operations;
 - (iv) Hovering maneuvers;
- (v) Takeoffs, landings, and go-arounds;
 - (vi) Performance maneuvers;
 - (vii) Ground reference maneuvers;
 - (viii) Navigation;
 - (ix) Emergency operations; and
 - (x) Postflight procedures.
- (3) For a gyroplane rating: (i) Preflight preparation;
 - (ii) Preflight procedures;
 - (iii) Airport operations;
- (iv) Takeoffs, landings, and goarounds:
 - (v) Performance maneuvers;
 - (vi) Ground reference maneuvers;
 - (vii) Navigation:
 - (viii) Flight at slow airspeeds;
 - (ix) Emergency operations; and

(x) Postflight procedures.

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§61.99 Aeronautical experience.

A person who applies for a recreational pilot certificate must receive and log at least 30 hours of flight time that includes at least—

(a) 15 hours of flight training from an authorized instructor on the areas of operation listed in §61.98 of this part that consists of at least:

- (1) Except as provided in §61.100 of this part, 2 hours of flight training en route to an airport that is located more than 25 nautical miles from the airport where the applicant normally trains, which includes at least three takeoffs and three landings at the airport located more than 25 nautical miles from the airport where the applicant normally trains; and
- (2) 3 hours of flight training in the aircraft for the rating sought in preparation for the practical test within the 60 days preceding the date of the practical test.
- (b) 3 hours of solo flying in the aircraft for the rating sought, on the areas of operation listed in §61.98 of this part that apply to the aircraft category and class rating sought.

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§61.100 Pilots based on small islands.

- (a) An applicant located on an island from which the flight training required in §61.99(a)(1) of this part cannot be accomplished without flying over water for more than 10 nautical miles from the nearest shoreline need not comply with the requirements of that section. However, if other airports that permit civil operations are available to which a flight may be made without flying over water for more than 10 nautical miles from the nearest shoreline, the applicant must show completion of a dual flight between two airports, which must include three landings at the other airport.
- (b) An applicant who complies with paragraph (a) of this section and meets all requirements for the issuance of a recreational pilot certificate, except

the requirements of §61.99(a)(1) of this part, will be issued a pilot certificate with an endorsement containing the following limitation, "Passenger carrying prohibited on flights more than 10 nautical miles from (the appropriate island)." The limitation may be subsequently amended to include another island if the applicant complies with the requirements of paragraph (a) of this section for another island.

(c) Upon meeting the requirements of §61.99(a)(1) of this part, the applicant may have the limitation(s) in paragraph (b) of this section removed.

§61.101 Recreational pilot privileges and limitations.

- (a) A person who holds a recreational pilot certificate may:
- (1) Carry no more than one passenger; and
- (2) Not pay less than the pro rata share of the operating expenses of a flight with a passenger, provided the expenses involve only fuel, oil, airport expenses, or aircraft rental fees.
- (b) A person who holds a current and valid recreational pilot certificate may act as pilot in command of an aircraft on a flight within 50 nautical miles from the departure airport, provided that person has—
- (1) Received ground and flight training for takeoff, departure, arrival, and landing procedures at the departure airport;
- (2) Received ground and flight training for the area, terrain, and aids to navigation that are in the vicinity of the departure airport:
- (3) Been found proficient to operate the aircraft at the departure airport and the area within 50 nautical miles from that airport; and
- (4) Received from an authorized instructor a logbook endorsement, which is carried in the person's possession in the aircraft, that permits flight within 50 nautical miles from the departure airport.
- (c) A person who holds a current and valid recreational pilot certificate may act as pilot in command of an aircraft on a flight that exceeds 50 nautical miles from the departure airport, provided that person has—
- (1) Received ground and flight training from an authorized instructor on

the cross-country training requirements of subpart E of this part that apply to the aircraft rating held;

(2) Been found proficient in cross-

country flying; and

(3) Received from an authorized instructor a logbook endorsement, which is carried on the person's possession in the aircraft, that certifies the person has received and been found proficient in the cross-country training requirements of subpart E of this part that apply to the aircraft rating held.

(d) A person who holds a current and valid recreational pilot certificate may act as pilot in command of an aircraft in Class B, C, and D airspace, at an airport located in Class B, C, or D airspace, and to, from, through, or at an airport having an operational control tower, provided that person has—

- (1) Received and logged ground and flight training from an authorized instructor on the following aeronautical knowledge areas and areas of operation, as appropriate to the aircraft rating held:
- (i) The use of radios, communications, navigation system and facilities, and radar services.
- (ii) Operations at airports with an operating control tower to include three takeoffs and landings to a full stop, with each landing involving a flight in the traffic pattern at an airport with an operating control tower.

(iii) Applicable flight rules of part 91 of this chapter for operations in Class B, C, and D airspace and air traffic con-

trol clearances;

(2) Been found proficient in those aeronautical knowledge areas and areas of operation specified in paragraph (d)(1) of this section; and

- (3) Received from an authorized instructor a logbook endorsement, which is carried on the person's possession or readily accessible in the aircraft, that certifies the person has received and been found proficient in those aeronautical knowledge areas and areas of operation specified in paragraph (d)(1) of this section.
- (e) Except as provided in paragraphs (d) and (i) of this section, a recreational pilot may not act as pilot in command of an aircraft—
 - (1) That is certificated—
 - (i) For more than four occupants;

- (ii) With more than one powerplant;
- (iii) With a powerplant of more than 180 horsepower; or
 - (iv) With retractable landing gear;
- (2) That is classified as a multiengine airplane, powered-lift, glider, airship, balloon, powered parachute, or weight-shift-control aircraft;
- (3) That is carrying a passenger or property for compensation or hire;
 - (4) For compensation or hire;
 - (5) In furtherance of a business;
 - (6) Between sunset and sunrise;
- (7) In Class A, B, C, and D airspace, at an airport located in Class B, C, or D airspace, or to, from, through, or at an airport having an operational control tower:
- (8) At an altitude of more than 10,000 feet MSL or 2,000 feet AGL, whichever is higher;
- (9) When the flight or surface visibility is less than 3 statute miles;
- (10) Without visual reference to the surface;
- (11) On a flight outside the United States, unless authorized by the country in which the flight is conducted;
- (12) To demonstrate that aircraft in flight as an aircraft salesperson to a prospective buyer;
- (13) That is used in a passenger-carrying airlift and sponsored by a charitable organization; and
 - (14) That is towing any object.
- (f) A recreational pilot may not act as a pilot flight crewmember on any aircraft for which more than one pilot is required by the type certificate of the aircraft or the regulations under which the flight is conducted, except when:
- (1) Receiving flight training from a person authorized to provide flight training on board an airship; and
- (2) No person other than a required flight crewmember is carried on the aircraft.
- (g) A person who holds a recreational pilot certificate, has logged fewer than 400 flight hours, and has not logged pilot-in-command time in an aircraft within the 180 days preceding the flight shall not act as pilot in command of an aircraft until the pilot receives flight training and a logbook endorsement from an authorized instructor, and the instructor certifies that the person is proficient to act as pilot in command

of the aircraft. This requirement can be met in combination with the requirements of §§ 61.56 and 61.57 of this part, at the discretion of the authorized instructor.

- (h) A recreational pilot certificate issued under this subpart carries the notation, "Holder does not meet ICAO requirements."
- (i) For the purpose of obtaining additional certificates or ratings while under the supervision of an authorized instructor, a recreational pilot may fly as the sole occupant of an aircraft:
- (1) For which the pilot does not hold an appropriate category or class rating;
- (2) Within airspace that requires communication with air traffic control; or
- (3) Between sunset and sunrise, provided the flight or surface visibility is at least 5 statute miles.
- (j) In order to fly solo as provided in paragraph (h) of this section, the recreational pilot must meet the appropriate aeronautical knowledge and flight training requirements of §61.87 for that aircraft. When operating an aircraft under the conditions specified in paragraph (h) of this section, the recreational pilot shall carry the logbook that has been endorsed for each flight by an authorized instructor who:
- (1) Has given the recreational pilot training in the make and model of aircraft in which the solo flight is to be made:
- (2) Has found that the recreational pilot has met the applicable requirements of §61.87; and
- (3) Has found that the recreational pilot is competent to make solo flights in accordance with the logbook endorsement.

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Subpart E—Private Pilots

§61.102 Applicability.

This subpart prescribes the requirements for the issuance of private pilot certificates and ratings, the conditions under which those certificates and ratings are necessary, and the general operating rules for persons who hold those certificates and ratings.

§61.103 Eligibility requirements: General.

To be eligible for a private pilot certificate, a person must:

- (a) Be at least 17 years of age for a rating in other than a glider or balloon.
- (b) Be at least 16 years of age for a rating in a glider or balloon.
- (c) Be able to read, speak, write, and understand the English language. If the applicant is unable to meet one of these requirements due to medical reasons, then the Administrator may place such operating limitations on that applicant's pilot certificate as are necessary for the safe operation of the aircraft.
- (d) Receive a logbook endorsement from an authorized instructor who:
- (1) Conducted the training or reviewed the person's home study on the aeronautical knowledge areas listed in §61.105(b) of this part that apply to the aircraft rating sought; and
- (2) Certified that the person is prepared for the required knowledge test.
- (e) Pass the required knowledge test on the aeronautical knowledge areas listed in §61.105(b) of this part.
- (f) Receive flight training and a logbook endorsement from an authorized instructor who:
- (1) Conducted the training in the areas of operation listed in §61.107(b) of this part that apply to the aircraft rating sought; and
- (2) Certified that the person is prepared for the required practical test.
- (g) Meet the aeronautical experience requirements of this part that apply to the aircraft rating sought before applying for the practical test.
- (h) Pass a practical test on the areas of operation listed in §61.107(b) of this part that apply to the aircraft rating sought.
- (i) Comply with the appropriate sections of this part that apply to the aircraft category and class rating sought.

§61.105 Aeronautical knowledge.

(a) General. A person who is applying for a private pilot certificate must receive and log ground training from an authorized instructor or complete a home-study course on the aeronautical knowledge areas of paragraph (b) of

this section that apply to the aircraft category and class rating sought.

- (b) Aeronautical knowledge areas. (1) Applicable Federal Aviation Regulations of this chapter that relate to private pilot privileges, limitations, and flight operations;
- (2) Accident reporting requirements of the National Transportation Safety Board;
- (3) Use of the applicable portions of the "Aeronautical Information Manual" and FAA advisory circulars;
- (4) Use of aeronautical charts for VFR navigation using pilotage, dead reckoning, and navigation systems;
 - (5) Radio communication procedures;
- (6) Recognition of critical weather situations from the ground and in flight, windshear avoidance, and the procurement and use of aeronautical weather reports and forecasts;
- (7) Safe and efficient operation of aircraft, including collision avoidance, and recognition and avoidance of wake turbulence;
- (8) Effects of density altitude on takeoff and climb performance:
- takeoff and climb performance;
 (9) Weight and balance computations;
- (10) Principles of aerodynamics, powerplants, and aircraft systems;
- (11) Stall awareness, spin entry, spins, and spin recovery techniques for the airplane and glider category ratings;
- (12) Aeronautical decision making and judgment; and
 - (13) Preflight action that includes—
- (i) How to obtain information on runway lengths at airports of intended use, data on takeoff and landing distances, weather reports and forecasts, and fuel requirements; and
- (ii) How to plan for alternatives if the planned flight cannot be completed or delays are encountered.

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§61.107 Flight proficiency.

(a) *General.* A person who applies for a private pilot certificate must receive and log ground and flight training from an authorized instructor on the areas of operation of this section that apply to the aircraft category and class rating sought.

- (b) Areas of operation. (1) For an airplane category rating with a single-engine class rating:
 - (i) Preflight preparation;
 - (ii) Preflight procedures;
- (iii) Airport and seaplane base operations;
- (iv) Takeoffs, landings, and goarounds;
 - (v) Performance maneuvers;
 - (vi) Ground reference maneuvers;
 - (vii) Navigation;
 - (viii) Slow flight and stalls;
 - (ix) Basic instrument maneuvers;
 - (x) Emergency operations;
- (xi) Night operations, except as provided in §61.110 of this part; and
 - (xii) Postflight procedures.
- (2) For an airplane category rating with a multiengine class rating:
- (i) Preflight preparation;
- (ii) Preflight procedures;
- (iii) Airport and seaplane base operations;
- (iv) Takeoffs, landings, and go-arounds;
 - (v) Performance maneuvers;
 - (vi) Ground reference maneuvers;
 - (vii) Navigation;
 - (viii) Slow flight and stalls;
 - (ix) Basic instrument maneuvers;
 - (x) Emergency operations;
- (xi) Multiengine operations;
- (xii) Night operations, except as provided in §61.110 of this part; and
 - (xiii) Postflight procedures.
- (3) For a rotorcraft category rating with a helicopter class rating:
 - (i) Preflight preparation;
 - (ii) Preflight procedures;
- (iii) Airport and heliport operations;
- (iv) Hovering maneuvers;
- (v) Takeoffs, landings, and go-arounds;
 - (vi) Performance maneuvers;
 - (vii) Navigation:
 - (viii) Emergency operations;
- (ix) Night operations, except as provided in §61.110 of this part; and
- (x) Postflight procedures.
- (4) For a rotorcraft category rating with a gyroplane class rating:
- (i) Preflight preparation;
- (ii) Preflight procedures;
- (iii) Airport operations;
- (iv) Takeoffs, landings, and goarounds;
 - (v) Performance maneuvers;
- (vi) Ground reference maneuvers;

- (vii) Navigation;
- (viii) Flight at slow airspeeds;
- (ix) Emergency operations;
- (x) Night operations, except as provided in §61.110 of this part; and
- (xi) Postflight procedures.
- (5) For a powered-lift category rating:
 - (i) Preflight preparation;
 - (ii) Preflight procedures;
 - (iii) Airport and heliport operations;
- (iv) Hovering maneuvers;
- (v) Takeoffs, landings, and goarounds;
- (vi) Performance maneuvers;
- (vii) Ground reference maneuvers;
- (viii) Navigation;
- (ix) Slow flight and stalls;
- (x) Basic instrument maneuvers;
- (xi) Emergency operations;
- (xii) Night operations, except as provided in §61.110 of this part; and
- (xiii) Postflight procedures.
- (6) For a glider category rating:
- (i) Preflight preparation;
- (ii) Preflight procedures;
- (iii) Airport and gliderport operations:
 - (iv) Launches and landings;
 - (v) Performance speeds;
 - (vi) Soaring techniques;
 - (vii) Performance maneuvers;
 - (viii) Navigation;
 - (ix) Slow flight and stalls;
 - (x) Emergency operations; and
- (xi) Postflight procedures.
- (7) For a lighter-than-air category rating with an airship class rating:
 - (i) Preflight preparation;
 - (ii) Preflight procedures;
 - (iii) Airport operations;
- (iv) Takeoffs, landings, and goarounds:
 - (v) Performance maneuvers;
 - (vi) Ground reference maneuvers;
 - (vii) Navigation;
 - (viii) Emergency operations; and
 - (ix) Postflight procedures.
- (8) For a lighter-than-air category rating with a balloon class rating:
 - (i) Preflight preparation;
 - (ii) Preflight procedures;
 - (iii) Airport operations;
 - (iv) Launches and landings;
 - (v) Performance maneuvers;
 - (vi) Navigation;
 - (vii) Emergency operations; and
 - (viii) Postflight procedures.
- (9) For a powered parachute category rating—

- (i) Preflight preparation;
- (ii) Preflight procedures;
- (iii) Airport and seaplane base operations, as applicable;
- (iv) Takeoffs, landings, and goarounds;
 - (v) Performance maneuvers;
 - (vi) Ground reference maneuvers;
 - (vii) Navigation;
- (viii) Night operations, except as provided in §61.110;
 - (ix) Emergency operations; and
 - (x) Post-flight procedures.
- (10) For a weight-shift-control aircraft category rating—
 - (i) Preflight preparation;
 - (ii) Preflight procedures;
- (iii) Airport and seaplane base operations, as applicable;
- (iv) Takeoffs, landings, and goarounds;
 - (v) Performance maneuvers;
 - (vi) Ground reference maneuvers;
 - (vii) Navigation;
 - (viii) Slow flight and stalls;
- (ix) Night operations, except as provided in §61.110;
 - (x) Emergency operations; and
 - (xi) Post-flight procedures.

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§61.109 Aeronautical experience.

- (a) For an airplane single-engine rating. Except as provided in paragraph (k) of this section, a person who applies for a private pilot certificate with an airplane category and single-engine class rating must log at least 40 hours of flight time that includes at least 20 hours of flight training from an authorized instructor and 10 hours of solo flight training in the areas of operation listed in §61.107(b)(1) of this part, and the training must include at least—
- (1) 3 hours of cross-country flight training in a single-engine airplane;
- (2) Except as provided in §61.110 of this part, 3 hours of night flight training in a single-engine airplane that includes—
- (i) One cross-country flight of over 100 nautical miles total distance; and
- (ii) 10 takeoffs and 10 landings to a full stop (with each landing involving a flight in the traffic pattern) at an airport.

- (3) 3 hours of flight training in a single-engine airplane on the control and maneuvering of an airplane solely by reference to instruments, including straight and level flight, constant airspeed climbs and descents, turns to a heading, recovery from unusual flight attitudes, radio communications, and the use of navigation systems/facilities and radar services appropriate to instrument flight;
- (4) 3 hours of flight training in preparation for the practical test in a singleengine airplane, which must have been performed within 60 days preceding the date of the test; and
- (5) 10 hours of solo flight time in a single-engine airplane, consisting of at least-
- (i) 5 hours of solo cross-country time;
- (ii) One solo cross-country flight of at least 150 nautical miles total distance, with full-stop landings at a minimum of three points, and one segment of the flight consisting of a straightline distance of at least 50 nautical miles between the takeoff and landing locations; and
- (iii) Three takeoffs and three landings to a full stop (with each landing involving a flight in the traffic pattern) at an airport with an operating control tower.
- (b) For an airplane multiengine rating. Except as provided in paragraph (k) of this section, a person who applies for a private pilot certificate with an airplane category and multiengine class rating must log at least 40 hours of flight time that includes at least 20 hours of flight training from an authorized instructor and 10 hours of solo flight training in the areas of operation listed in §61.107(b)(2) of this part, and the training must include at least-
- (1) 3 hours of cross-country flight training in a multiengine airplane;
- (2) Except as provided in §61.110 of this part, 3 hours of night flight training in a multiengine airplane that includes-
- (i) One cross-country flight of over 100 nautical miles total distance; and
- (ii) 10 takeoffs and 10 landings to a full stop (with each landing involving a flight in the traffic pattern) at an air-
- (3) 3 hours of flight training in a multiengine airplane on the control and

- maneuvering of an airplane solely by reference to instruments, including straight and level flight, constant airspeed climbs and descents, turns to a heading, recovery from unusual flight attitudes, radio communications, and the use of navigation systems/facilities and radar services appropriate to instrument flight;
- (4) 3 hours of flight training in preparation for the practical test in a multiengine airplane, which must have been performed within the 60-day period preceding the date of the test; and
- (5) 10 hours of solo flight time in an airplane consisting of at least-
 - (i) 5 hours of solo cross-country time;
- (ii) One solo cross-country flight of at least 150 nautical miles total distance, with full-stop landings at a minimum of three points, and one segment of the flight consisting of a straightline distance of at least 50 nautical miles between the takeoff and landing locations; and
- (iii) Three takeoffs and three landings to a full stop (with each landing involving a flight in the traffic pattern) at an airport with an operating control tower.
- (c) For a helicopter rating. Except as provided in paragraph (k) of this section, a person who applies for a private pilot certificate with rotorcraft category and helicopter class rating must log at least 40 hours of flight time that includes at least 20 hours of flight training from an authorized instructor and 10 hours of solo flight training in the areas of operation listed in §61.107(b)(3) of this part, and the training must include at least-
- (1) 3 hours of cross-country flight training in a helicopter;
- (2) Except as provided in §61.110 of this part, 3 hours of night flight training in a helicopter that includes-
- (i) One cross-country flight of over 50 nautical miles total distance; and
- (ii) 10 takeoffs and 10 landings to a full stop (with each landing involving a flight in the traffic pattern) at an airport.
- (3) 3 hours of flight training in preparation for the practical test in a helicopter, which must have been performed within 60 days preceding the date of the test; and

- (4) 10 hours of solo flight time in a helicopter, consisting of at least—
 - (i) 3 hours cross-country time;
- (ii) One solo cross-country flight of at least 75 nautical miles total distance, with landings at a minimum of three points, and one segment of the flight being a straight-line distance of at least 25 nautical miles between the takeoff and landing locations; and
- (iii) Three takeoffs and three landings to a full stop (with each landing involving a flight in the traffic pattern) at an airport with an operating control tower.
- (d) For a gyroplane rating. Except as provided in paragraph (k) of this section, a person who applies for a private pilot certificate with rotorcraft category and gyroplane class rating must log at least 40 hours of flight time that includes at least 20 hours of flight training from an authorized instructor and 10 hours of solo flight training in the areas of operation listed in §61.107(b)(4) of this part, and the training must include at least—
- (1) 3 hours of cross-country flight training in a gyroplane;
- (2) Except as provided in §61.110 of this part, 3 hours of night flight training in a gyroplane that includes—
- (i) One cross-country flight of over 50 nautical miles total distance; and
- (ii) 10 takeoffs and 10 landings to a full stop (with each landing involving a flight in the traffic pattern) at an airport.
- (3) 3 hours of flight training in preparation for the practical test in a gyroplane, which must have been performed within the 60-day period preceding the date of the test; and
- (4) 10 hours of solo flight time in a gyroplane, consisting of at least—
- (i) 3 hours of cross-country time;
- (ii) One solo cross-country flight of over 75 nautical miles total distance, with landings at a minimum of three points, and one segment of the flight being a straight-line distance of at least 25 nautical miles between the takeoff and landing locations; and
- (iii) Three takeoffs and three landings to a full stop (with each landing involving a flight in the traffic pattern) at an airport with an operating control tower.

- (e) For a powered-lift rating. Except as provided in paragraph (k) of this section, a person who applies for a private pilot certificate with a powered-lift category rating must log at least 40 hours of flight time that includes at least 20 hours of flight training from an authorized instructor and 10 hours of solo flight training in the areas of operation listed in §61.107(b)(5) of this part, and the training must include at least—
- (1) 3 hours of cross-country flight training in a powered-lift;
- (2) Except as provided in §61.110 of this part, 3 hours of night flight training in a powered-lift that includes—
- (i) One cross-country flight of over 100 nautical miles total distance; and
- (ii) 10 takeoffs and 10 landings to a full stop (with each landing involving a flight in the traffic pattern) at an airport.
- (3) 3 hours of flight training in a powered-lift on the control and maneuvering of a powered-lift solely by reference to instruments, including straight and level flight, constant airspeed climbs and descents, turns to a heading, recovery from unusual flight attitudes, radio communications, and the use of navigation systems/facilities and radar services appropriate to instrument flight;
- (4) 3 hours of flight training in preparation for the practical test in a powered-lift, which must have been performed within the 60-day period preceding the date of the test; and
- (5) 10 hours of solo flight time in an airplane or powered-lift consisting of at least—
 - (i) 5 hours cross-country time;
- (ii) One cross-country flight of at least 150 nautical miles total distance, with landings at a minimum of three points, and one segment of the flight being a straight-line distance of at least 50 nautical miles between the takeoff and landing locations; and
- (iii) Three takeoffs and three landings to a full stop (with each landing involving a flight in the traffic pattern) at an airport with an operating control tower.
- (f) For a glider category rating. (1) If the applicant for a private pilot certificate with a glider category rating has not logged at least 40 hours of flight

time as a pilot in a heavier-than-air aircraft, the applicant must log at least 10 hours of flight time in a glider in the areas of operation listed in $\S61.107(b)(6)$ of this part, and that flight time must include at least—

- (i) 20 flights in a glider in the areas of operations listed in $\S61.107(b)(6)$ of this part, including at least 3 training flights in a glider with an authorized instructor in preparation for the practical test that must have been performed within the 60-day period preceding the date of the test; and
- (ii) 2 hours of solo flight time in a glider in the areas of operation listed in §61.107(b)(6) of this part, with not less than 10 launches and landings being performed.
- (2) If the applicant has logged at least 40 hours of flight time in a heavier-than-air aircraft, the applicant must log at least 3 hours of flight time in a glider in the areas of operation listed in §61.107(b)(6) of this part, and that flight time must include at least—
- (i) 10 solo flights in a glider in the areas of operation listed in §61.107(b)(6) of this part; and
- (ii) 3 training flights in a glider with an authorized instructor in preparation for the practical test that must have been performed within the 60-day period preceding the date of the test.
- (g) For an airship rating. A person who applies for a private pilot certificate with a lighter-than-air category and airship class rating must log at least:
- (1) 25 hours of flight training in airships on the areas of operation listed in §61.107(b)(7) of this part, which consists of at least:
- (i) 3 hours of cross-country flight training in an airship;
- (ii) Except as provided in §61.110 of this part, 3 hours of night flight training in an airship that includes:
- (A) A cross-country flight of over 25 nautical miles total distance; and
- (B) Five takeoffs and five landings to a full stop (with each landing involving a flight in the traffic pattern) at an airport.
- (2) 3 hours of flight training in an airship on the control and maneuvering of an airship solely by reference to instruments, including straight and level flight, constant airspeed climbs and descents, turns to a heading, recovery

from unusual flight attitudes, radio communications, and the use of navigation systems/facilities and radar services appropriate to instrument flight;

- (3) 3 hours of flight training in an airship in preparation for the practical test within the 60 days preceding the date of the test; and
- (4) 5 hours performing the duties of pilot in command in an airship with an authorized instructor.
- (h) For a balloon rating. A person who applies for a private pilot certificate with a lighter-than-air category and balloon class rating must log at least 10 hours of flight training that includes at least six training flights with an authorized instructor in the areas of operation listed in §61.107(b)(8) of this part, that includes—
- (1) Gas balloon. If the training is being performed in a gas balloon, at least two flights of 2 hours each that consists of—
- (i) At least one training flight with an authorized instructor within 60 days prior to application for the rating on the areas of operation for a gas balloon;
- (ii) At least one flight performing the duties of pilot in command in a gas balloon with an authorized instructor; and
- (iii) At least one flight involving a controlled ascent to 3,000 feet above the launch site.
- (2) Balloon with an airborne heater. If the training is being performed in a balloon with an airborne heater, at least—
- (i) Two flights of 1 hour each within 60 days prior to application for the rating on the areas of operation appropriate to a balloon with an airborne heater;
- (ii) One solo flight in a balloon with an airborne heater; and
- (iii) At least one flight involving a controlled ascent to 2,000 feet above the launch site.
- (i) For a powered parachute rating. A person who applies for a private pilot certificate with a powered parachute category rating must log at least 25 hours of flight time in a powered parachute that includes at least 10 hours of flight training with an authorized instructor, including 30 takeoffs and landings, and 10 hours of solo flight

training in the areas of operation listed in §61.107 (b)(9) and the training must include at least-

- (1) One hour of cross-country flight training in a powered parachute that includes a 1-hour cross-country flight with a landing at an airport at least 25 nautical miles from the airport of departure;
- (2) Except as provided in $\S61.110$, 3 hours of night flight training in a powered parachute that includes 10 takeoffs and landings (with each landing involving a flight in the traffic pattern) at an airport;
- (3) Three hours of flight training in preparation for the practical test in a powered parachute, which must have been performed within the 60-day period preceding the date of the test; and
- (4) Three hours of solo flight time in a powered parachute, consisting of at least-
- (i) One solo cross-country flight with a landing at an airport at least 25 nautical miles from the departure airport;
- (ii) Twenty solo takeoffs and landings to a full stop (with each landing involving a flight in a traffic pattern) at an airport, with at least 3 takeoffs and landings at an airport with an operating control tower.
- (j) For a weight-shift-control aircraft rating. A person who applies for a private pilot certificate with a weightshift-control rating must log at least 40 hours of flight time that includes at least 20 hours of flight training with an authorized instructor and 10 hours of solo flight training in the areas listed in §61.107(b)(10) and the training must include at least-
- (1) Three hours of cross-country flight training in a weight-shift-control aircraft:
- (2) Except as provided in §61.110, 3 hours of night flight training in a weight-shift-control aircraft that in-
- (i) One cross-country flight over 75 nautical miles total distance; and
- (ii) Ten takeoffs and landings (with each landing involving a flight in the traffic pattern) at an airport;
- (3) Three hours of flight training in preparation for the practical test in a weight-shift-control aircraft, which must have been performed within the

60-day period preceding the date of the

- test; and
 (4) Ten hours of solo flight time in a weight-shift-control aircraft, sisting of at least—
- (i) Five hours of solo cross-country time;
- (ii) One solo cross-country flight over 100 nautical miles total distance, with landings at a minimum of three points, and one segment of the flight being a straight line distance of at least 50 nautical miles between takeoff and landing locations; and
- (iii) Three takeoffs and landings (with each landing involving a flight in the traffic pattern) at an airport with an operating control tower.
- (k) Permitted credit for use of a flight simulator or flight training device. (1) Except as provided in paragraphs (k)(2) of this section, a maximum of 2.5 hours of training in a flight simulator or flight training device representing the category, class, and type, if applicable, of aircraft appropriate to the rating sought, may be credited toward the flight training time required by this section, if received from an authorized instructor.
- (2) A maximum of 5 hours of training in a flight simulator or flight training device representing the category, class, and type, if applicable, of aircraft appropriate to the rating sought, may be credited toward the flight training time required by this section if the training is accomplished in a course conducted by a training center certificated under part 142 of this chapter.
- (3) Except when fewer hours are approved by the Administrator, an applicant for a private pilot certificate with an airplane, rotorcraft, or powered-lift rating, who has satisfactorily completed an approved private pilot course conducted by a training center certificated under part 142 of this chapter, need only have a total of 35 hours of aeronautical experience to meet the requirements of this section.

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§61.110 Night flying exceptions.

(a) Subject to the limitations of paragraph (b) of this section, a person

is not required to comply with the night flight training requirements of this subpart if the person receives flight training in and resides in the State of Alaska.

- (b) A person who receives flight training in and resides in the State of Alaska but does not meet the night flight training requirements of this section:
- (1) May be issued a pilot certificate with a limitation "Night flying prohibited"; and
- (2) Must comply with the appropriate night flight training requirements of this subpart within the 12-calendarmonth period after the issuance of the pilot certificate. At the end of that period, the certificate will become invalid for use until the person complies with the appropriate night training requirements of this subpart. The person may have the "Night flying prohibited" limitation removed if the person—
- (i) Accomplishes the appropriate night flight training requirements of this subpart; and
- (ii) Presents to an examiner a logbook or training record endorsement from an authorized instructor that verifies accomplishment of the appropriate night flight training requirements of this subpart.
- (c) A person who does not meet the night flying requirements in §61.109(d)(2), (i)(2), or (j)(2) may be issued a private pilot certificate with the limitation "Night flying prohibited." This limitation may be removed by an examiner if the holder complies with the requirements of §61.109(d)(2), (i)(2), or (j)(2), as appropriate.

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§61.111 Cross-country flights: Pilots based on small islands.

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, an applicant located on an island from which the cross-country flight training required in §61.109 of this part cannot be accomplished without flying over water for more than 10 nautical miles from the nearest shoreline need not comply with the requirements of that section.

- (b) If other airports that permit civil operations are available to which a flight may be made without flying over water for more than 10 nautical miles from the nearest shoreline, the applicant must show completion of two round-trip solo flights between those two airports that are farthest apart, including a landing at each airport on both flights.
- (c) An applicant who complies with paragraph (a) or paragraph (b) of this section, and meets all requirements for the issuance of a private pilot certificate, except the cross-country training requirements of §61.109 of this part, will be issued a pilot certificate with an endorsement containing the following limitation, "Passenger carrying prohibited on flights more than 10 nautical miles from (the appropriate island)." The limitation may be subsequently amended to include another island if the applicant complies with the requirements of paragraph (b) of this section for another island.
- (d) Upon meeting the cross-country training requirements of §61.109 of this part, the applicant may have the limitation in paragraph (c) of this section removed

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§61.113 Private pilot privileges and limitations: Pilot in command.

- (a) Except as provided in paragraphs (b) through (g) of this section, no person who holds a private pilot certificate may act as pilot in command of an aircraft that is carrying passengers or property for compensation or hire; nor may that person, for compensation or hire, act as pilot in command of an aircraft.
- (b) A private pilot may, for compensation or hire, act as pilot in command of an aircraft in connection with any business or employment if:
- (1) The flight is only incidental to that business or employment; and
- (2) The aircraft does not carry passengers or property for compensation or hire.
- (c) A private pilot may not pay less than the pro rata share of the operating expenses of a flight with passengers, provided the expenses involve

only fuel, oil, airport expenditures, or rental fees.

- (d) A private pilot may act as pilot in command of an aircraft used in a passenger-carrying airlift sponsored by a charitable organization described in paragraph (d)(7) of this section, and for which the passengers make a donation to the organization, when the following requirements are met:
- (1) The sponsor of the airlift notifies the FAA Flight Standards District Office with jurisdiction over the area concerned at least 7 days before the event and furnishes—
- (i) A signed letter from the sponsor that shows the name of the sponsor, the purpose of the charitable event, the date and time of the event, and the location of the event: and
- (ii) A photocopy of each pilot in command's pilot certificate, medical certificate, and logbook entries that show the pilot is current in accordance with §§ 61.56 and 61.57 of this part and has logged at least 200 hours of flight time.
- (2) The flight is conducted from a public airport that is adequate for the aircraft to be used, or from another airport that has been approved by the FAA for the operation.
- (3) No aerobatic or formation flights are conducted.
- (4) Each aircraft used for the charitable event holds a standard airworthiness certificate.
- (5) Each aircraft used for the charitable event is airworthy and complies with the applicable requirements of subpart E of part 91 of this chapter.
- (6) Each flight for the charitable event is made during day VFR conditions.
- (7) The charitable organization is an organization identified as such by the U.S. Department of Treasury.
- (e) A private pilot may be reimbursed for aircraft operating expenses that are directly related to search and location operations, provided the expenses involve only fuel, oil, airport expenditures, or rental fees, and the operation is sanctioned and under the direction and control of:
- (1) A local, State, or Federal agency; or
- (2) An organization that conducts search and location operations.

- (f) A private pilot who is an aircraft salesman and who has at least 200 hours of logged flight time may demonstrate an aircraft in flight to a prospective buyer.
- (g) A private pilot who meets the requirements of §61.69 may act as a pilot in command of an aircraft towing a glider or unpowered ultralight vehicle.

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§61.115 Balloon rating: Limitations.

- (a) If a person who applies for a private pilot certificate with a balloon rating takes a practical test in a balloon with an airborne heater:
- (1) The pilot certificate will contain a limitation restricting the exercise of the privileges of that certificate to a balloon with an airborne heater; and
- (2) The limitation may be removed when the person obtains the required aeronautical experience in a gas balloon and receives a logbook endorsement from an authorized instructor who attests to the person's accomplishment of the required aeronautical experience and ability to satisfactorily operate a gas balloon.
- (b) If a person who applies for a private pilot certificate with a balloon rating takes a practical test in a gas balloon:
- (1) The pilot certificate will contain a limitation restricting the exercise of the privilege of that certificate to a gas balloon; and
- (2) The limitation may be removed when the person obtains the required aeronautical experience in a balloon with an airborne heater and receives a logbook endorsement from an authorized instructor who attests to the person's accomplishment of the required aeronautical experience and ability to satisfactorily operate a balloon with an airborne heater.

§61.117 Private pilot privileges and limitations: Second in command of aircraft requiring more than one pilot.

Except as provided in §61.113 of this part, no private pilot may, for compensation or hire, act as second in command of an aircraft that is type certificated for more than one pilot, nor may

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that pilot act as second in command of such an aircraft that is carrying passengers or property for compensation or hire.

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Subpart F—Commercial Pilots

§61.121 Applicability.

This subpart prescribes the requirements for the issuance of commercial pilot certificates and ratings, the conditions under which those certificates and ratings are necessary, and the general operating rules for persons who hold those certificates and ratings.

§61.123 Eligibility requirements: General.

To be eligible for a commercial pilot certificate, a person must:

- (a) Be at least 18 years of age;
- (b) Be able to read, speak, write, and understand the English language. If the applicant is unable to meet one of these requirements due to medical reasons, then the Administrator may place such operating limitations on that applicant's pilot certificate as are necessary for the safe operation of the aircraft.
- (c) Receive a logbook endorsement from an authorized instructor who:
- (1) Conducted the required ground training or reviewed the person's home study on the aeronautical knowledge areas listed in §61.125 of this part that apply to the aircraft category and class rating sought; and
- (2) Certified that the person is prepared for the required knowledge test that applies to the aircraft category and class rating sought.
- (d) Pass the required knowledge test on the aeronautical knowledge areas listed in §61.125 of this part;
- (e) Receive the required training and a logbook endorsement from an authorized instructor who:
- (1) Conducted the training on the areas of operation listed in §61.127(b) of this part that apply to the aircraft category and class rating sought; and
- (2) Certified that the person is prepared for the required practical test.

- (f) Meet the aeronautical experience requirements of this subpart that apply to the aircraft category and class rating sought before applying for the practical test:
- (g) Pass the required practical test on the areas of operation listed in §61.127(b) of this part that apply to the aircraft category and class rating sought;
- (h) Hold at least a private pilot certificate issued under this part or meet the requirements of §61.73; and
- (i) Comply with the sections of this part that apply to the aircraft category and class rating sought.

§61.125 Aeronautical knowledge.

- (a) General. A person who applies for a commercial pilot certificate must receive and log ground training from an authorized instructor, or complete a home-study course, on the aeronautical knowledge areas of paragraph (b) of this section that apply to the aircraft category and class rating sought.
- (b) Aeronautical knowledge areas. (1) Applicable Federal Aviation Regulations of this chapter that relate to commercial pilot privileges, limitations, and flight operations;
- (2) Accident reporting requirements of the National Transportation Safety Board;
- (3) Basic aerodynamics and the principles of flight;
- (4) Meteorology to include recognition of critical weather situations, windshear recognition and avoidance, and the use of aeronautical weather reports and forecasts;
- (5) Safe and efficient operation of aircraft:
 - (6) Weight and balance computations;
 - (7) Use of performance charts;
- (8) Significance and effects of exceeding aircraft performance limitations;
- (9) Use of aeronautical charts and a magnetic compass for pilotage and dead reckoning;
 - (10) Use of air navigation facilities;
- (11) Aeronautical decision making and judgment;
- (12) Principles and functions of aircraft systems;
- (13) Maneuvers, procedures, and emergency operations appropriate to the aircraft:

- (14) Night and high-altitude operations:
- (15) Procedures for operating within the National Airspace System; and
- (16) Procedures for flight and ground training for lighter-than-air ratings.

§61.127 Flight proficiency.

- (a) General. A person who applies for a commercial pilot certificate must receive and log ground and flight training from an authorized instructor on the areas of operation of this section that apply to the aircraft category and class rating sought.
- (b) *Areas of operation.* (1) For an airplane category rating with a single-engine class rating:
 - (i) Preflight preparation;
 - (ii) Preflight procedures;
- (iii) Airport and seaplane base operations;
- (iv) Takeoffs, landings, and go arounds:
 - (v) Performance maneuvers;
 - (vi) Ground reference maneuvers;
 - (vii) Navigation;
 - (viii) Slow flight and stalls;
 - (ix) Emergency operations;
 - (x) High-altitude operations; and
 - (xi) Postflight procedures.
- (2) For an airplane category rating with a multiengine class rating:
 - (i) Preflight preparation;
 - (ii) Preflight procedures;
- (iii) Airport and seaplane base operations;
- (iv) Takeoffs, landings, and go-arounds;
 - (v) Performance maneuvers;
 - (vi) Navigation;
 - (vii) Slow flight and stalls;
 - (viii) Emergency operations;
 - (ix) Multiengine operations;
 - (x) High-altitude operations; and
 - (xi) Postflight procedures.
- (3) For a rotorcraft category rating with a helicopter class rating:
 - (i) Preflight preparation;
- (ii) Preflight procedures;
- (iii) Airport and heliport operations;
- (iv) Hovering maneuvers;
- (v) Takeoffs, landings, and goarounds;
 - (vi) Performance maneuvers;
 - (vii) Navigation;
 - (viii) Emergency operations;
 - (ix) Special operations; and
 - (x) Postflight procedures.

- (4) For a rotorcraft category rating with a gyroplane class rating:
 - (i) Preflight preparation;
 - (ii) Preflight procedures;
 - (iii) Airport operations;
- (iv) Takeoffs, landings, and goarounds;
 - (v) Performance maneuvers;
 - (vi) Navigation;
 - (vii) Flight at slow airspeeds;
 - (viii) Emergency operations; and
 - (ix) Postflight procedures.
- (5) For a powered-lift category rating:
 - (i) Preflight preparation;
 - (ii) Preflight procedures;
 - (iii) Airport and heliport operations;
 - (iv) Hovering maneuvers;
- (v) Takeoffs, landings, and goarounds;
 - (vi) Performance maneuvers;
 - (vii) Ground reference maneuvers:
 - (viii) Navigation;
- (ix) Slow flight and stalls;
- (x) Emergency operations;
- (xi) High-altitude operations;
- (xii) Special operations; and
- (xiii) Postflight procedures.
- (6) For a glider category rating:
- (i) Preflight preparation;
- (ii) Preflight procedures;
- (iii) Airport and gliderport operations;
- (iv) Launches and landings;
- (v) Performance speeds;
- (vi) Soaring techniques;
- (vii) Performance maneuvers;
- (viii) Navigation;
- (ix) Slow flight and stalls;
- (x) Emergency operations; and
- (xi) Postflight procedures.
- (7) For a lighter-than-air category rating with an airship class rating:
- (i) Fundamentals of instructing:
- (ii) Technical subjects;
- (iii) Preflight preparation;
- (iv) Preflight lesson on a maneuver to be performed in flight;
 - (v) Preflight procedures;
 - (vi) Airport operations;
- (vii) Takeoffs, landings, and goarounds;
- (viii) Performance maneuvers;
- (ix) Navigation;
- (x) Emergency operations; and
- (xi) Postflight procedures.
- (8) For a lighter-than-air category rating with a balloon class rating:
- (i) Fundamentals of instructing;

- (ii) Technical subjects;
- (iii) Preflight preparation;
- (iv) Preflight lesson on a maneuver to be performed in flight;
 - (v) Preflight procedures;
- (vi) Airport operations;
- (vii) Launches and landings;
- (viii) Performance maneuvers:
- (ix) Navigation;
- (x) Emergency operations; and
- (xi) Postflight procedures.

§61.129 Aeronautical experience.

- (a) For an airplane single-engine rating. Except as provided in paragraph (i) of this section, a person who applies for a commercial pilot certificate with an airplane category and single-engine class rating must log at least 250 hours of flight time as a pilot that consists of at least:
- (1) 100 hours in powered aircraft, of which 50 hours must be in airplanes.
- (2) 100 hours of pilot-in-command flight time, which includes at least—
 - (i) 50 hours in airplanes; and
- (ii) 50 hours in cross-country flight of which at least 10 hours must be in airplanes.
- (3) 20 hours of training on the areas of operation listed in §61.127(b)(1) of this part that includes at least—
- (i) 10 hours of instrument training of which at least 5 hours must be in a sin-

gle-engine airplane;

- (ii) 10 hours of training in an airplane that has a retractable landing gear, flaps, and a controllable pitch propeller, or is turbine-powered, or for an applicant seeking a single-engine seaplane rating, 10 hours of training in a seaplane that has flaps and a controllable pitch propeller;
- (iii) One cross-country flight of at least 2 hours in a single-engine airplane in day VFR conditions, consisting of a total straight-line distance of more than 100 nautical miles from the original point of departure;
- (iv) One cross-country flight of at least 2 hours in a single-engine airplane in night VFR conditions, consisting of a total straight-line distance of more than 100 nautical miles from the original point of departure; and
- (v) 3 hours in a single-engine airplane in preparation for the practical test within the 60-day period preceding the date of the test.

- (4) 10 hours of solo flight in a single-engine airplane on the areas of operation listed in $\S61.127(b)(1)$ of this part, which includes at least—
- (i) One cross-country flight of not less than 300 nautical miles total distance, with landings at a minimum of three points, one of which is a straightline distance of at least 250 nautical miles from the original departure point. However, if this requirement is being met in Hawaii, the longest segment need only have a straight-line distance of at least 150 nautical miles; and
- (ii) 5 hours in night VFR conditions with 10 takeoffs and 10 landings (with each landing involving a flight in the traffic pattern) at an airport with an operating control tower.
- (b) For an airplane multiengine rating. Except as provided in paragraph (i) of this section, a person who applies for a commercial pilot certificate with an airplane category and multiengine class rating must log at least 250 hours of flight time as a pilot that consists of at least:
- (1) 100 hours in powered aircraft, of which 50 hours must be in airplanes.
- (2) 100 hours of pilot-in-command flight time, which includes at least—
 - (i) 50 hours in airplanes; and
- (ii) 50 hours in cross-country flight of which at least 10 hours must be in airplanes.
- (3) 20 hours of training on the areas of operation listed in §61.127(b)(2) of this part that includes at least—
- (i) 10 hours of instrument training of which at least 5 hours must be in a multiengine airplane;
- (ii) 10 hours of training in a multiengine airplane that has a retractable landing gear, flaps, and controllable pitch propellers, or is turbine-powered, or for an applicant seeking a multiengine seaplane rating, 10 hours of training in a multiengine seaplane that has flaps and a controllable pitch propeller;
- (iii) One cross-country flight of at least 2 hours in a multiengine airplane in day VFR conditions, consisting of a total straight-line distance of more than 100 nautical miles from the original point of departure;
- (iv) One cross-country flight of at least 2 hours in a multiengine airplane in night VFR conditions, consisting of

- a total straight-line distance of more than 100 nautical miles from the original point of departure; and
- (v) 3 hours in a multiengine airplane in preparation for the practical test within the 60-day period preceding the date of the test.
- (4) 10 hours of solo flight time in a multiengine airplane or 10 hours of flight time performing the duties of pilot in command in a multiengine airplane with an authorized instructor (either of which may be credited towards the flight time requirement in paragraph (b)(2) of this section), on the areas of operation listed in §61.127(b)(2) of this part that includes at least—
- (i) One cross-country flight of not less than 300 nautical miles total distance with landings at a minimum of three points, one of which is a straightline distance of at least 250 nautical miles from the original departure point. However, if this requirement is being met in Hawaii, the longest segment need only have a straight-line distance of at least 150 nautical miles; and
- (ii) 5 hours in night VFR conditions with 10 takeoffs and 10 landings (with each landing involving a flight with a traffic pattern) at an airport with an operating control tower.
- (c) For a helicopter rating. Except as provided in paragraph (i) of this section, a person who applies for a commercial pilot certificate with a rotorcraft category and helicopter class rating must log at least 150 hours of flight time as a pilot that consists of at least:
- (1) 100 hours in powered aircraft, of which 50 hours must be in helicopters.
- (2) 100 hours of pilot-in-command flight time, which includes at least—
 - (i) 35 hours in helicopters; and
- (ii) 10 hours in cross-country flight in helicopters.
- (3) 20 hours of training on the areas of operation listed in §61.127(b)(3) of this part that includes at least—
- (i) 10 hours of instrument training in an aircraft;
- (ii) One cross-country flight of at least 2 hours in a helicopter in day VFR conditions, consisting of a total straight-line distance of more than 50 nautical miles from the original point of departure;

- (iii) One cross-country flight of at least 2 hours in a helicopter in night VFR conditions, consisting of a total straight-line distance of more than 50 nautical miles from the original point of departure; and
- (iv) 3 hours in a helicopter in preparation for the practical test within the 60-day period preceding the date of the test.
- (4) 10 hours of solo flight in a helicopter on the areas of operation listed in $\S61.127(b)(3)$ of this part, which includes at least—
- (i) One cross-country flight with landings at a minimum of three points, with one segment consisting of a straight-line distance of at least 50 nautical miles from the original point of departure; and
- (ii) 5 hours in night VFR conditions with 10 takeoffs and 10 landings (with each landing involving a flight in the traffic pattern).
- (d) For a gyroplane rating. A person who applies for a commercial pilot certificate with a rotorcraft category and gyroplane class rating must log at least 150 hours of flight time as a pilot (of which 5 hours may have been accomplished in a flight simulator or flight training device that is representative of a gyroplane) that consists of at least:
- (1) 100 hours in powered aircraft, of which 25 hours must be in gyroplanes.
- (2) 100 hours of pilot-in-command flight time, which includes at least—
- (i) 10 hours in gyroplanes; and
- (ii) 3 hours in cross-country flight in gyroplanes.
- (3) 20 hours of training on the areas of operation listed in §61.127(b)(4) of this part that includes at least—
- (i) 5 hours of instrument training in an aircraft;
- (ii) One cross-country flight of at least 2 hours in a gyroplane in day VFR conditions, consisting of a total straight-line distance of more than 50 nautical miles from the original point of departure:
- (iii) One cross-country flight of at least 2 hours in a gyroplane in night VFR conditions, consisting of a total straight-line distance of more than 50 nautical miles from the original point of departure; and

- (iv) 3 hours in a gyroplane in preparation for the practical test within the 60-day period preceding the date of the test.
- (4) 10 hours of solo flight in a gyroplane on the areas of operation listed in $\S61.127(b)(4)$ of this part, which includes at least—
- (i) One cross-country flight with landings at a minimum of three points, with one segment consisting of a straight-line distance of at least 50 nautical miles from the original point of departure; and
- (ii) 5 hours in night VFR conditions with 10 takeoffs and 10 landings (with each landing involving a flight in the traffic pattern).
- (e) For a powered-lift rating. Except as provided in paragraph (i) of this section, a person who applies for a commercial pilot certificate with a powered-lift category rating must log at least 250 hours of flight time as a pilot that consists of at least:
- $\left(1\right)$ 100 hours in powered aircraft, of which 50 hours must be in a powered-lift.
- (2) 100 hours of pilot-in-command flight time, which includes at least—
 - (i) 50 hours in a powered-lift; and
- (ii) 50 hours in cross-country flight of which 10 hours must be in a powered-lift.
- (3) 20 hours of training on the areas of operation listed in $\S61.127(b)(5)$ of this part that includes at least—
- (i) 10 hours of instrument training, of which at least 5 hours must be in a powered-lift;
- (ii) One cross-country flight of at least 2 hours in a powered-lift in day VFR conditions, consisting of a total straight-line distance of more than 100 nautical miles from the original point of departure;
- (iii) One cross-country flight of at least 2 hours in a powered-lift in night VFR conditions, consisting of a total straight-line distance of more than 100 nautical miles from the original point of departure; and
- (iv) 3 hours in a powered-lift in preparation for the practical test within the 60-day period preceding the date of the test.
- (4) 10 hours of solo flight in a powered-lift on the areas of operation list-

- ed in $\S61.127(b)(5)$ of this part, which includes at least—
- (i) One cross-country flight of not less than 300 nautical miles total distance with landings at a minimum of three points, one of which is a straight-line distance of at least 250 nautical miles from the original departure point. However, if this requirement is being met in Hawaii the longest segment need only have a straight-line distance of at least 150 nautical miles; and
- (ii) 5 hours in night VFR conditions with 10 takeoffs and 10 landings (with each landing involving a flight in the traffic pattern) at an airport with an operating control tower.
- (f) For a glider rating. A person who applies for a commercial pilot certificate with a glider category rating must log at least—
- (1) 25 hours of flight time as a pilot in a glider and that flight time must include at least 100 flights in a glider as pilot in command, including at least—
- (i) 3 hours of flight training in a glider or 10 training flights in a glider with an authorized instructor on the areas of operation listed in §61.127(b)(6) of this part, including at least 3 training flights in a glider with an authorized instructor in preparation for the practical test within the 60-day period preceding the date of the test; and
- (ii) 2 hours of solo flight that include not less than 10 solo flights in a glider on the areas of operation listed in §61.127(b)(6) of this part; or
- (2) 200 hours of flight time as a pilot in heavier-than-air aircraft and at least 20 flights in a glider as pilot in command, including at least—
- (i) 3 hours of flight training in a glider or 10 training flights in a glider with an authorized instructor on the areas of operation listed in §61.127(b)(6) of this part including at least 3 training flights in a glider with an authorized instructor in preparation for the practical test within the 60-day period preceding the date of the test; and
- (ii) 5 solo flights in a glider on the areas of operation listed in §61.127(b)(6)
- (g) For an airship rating. A person who applies for a commercial pilot certificate with a lighter-than-air category and airship class rating must log at

least 200 hours of flight time as a pilot, which includes at least the following hours:

- (1) 50 hours in airships.
- (2) 30 hours of pilot-in-command time in airships, which consists of at least—
- (i) 10 hours of cross-country flight time in airships; and
- (ii) 10 hours of night flight time in airships.
- (3) 40 hours of instrument time, which consists of at least 20 hours in flight, of which 10 hours must be in flight in airships.
- (4) 20 hours of flight training in airships on the areas of operation listed in §61.127(b)(7) of this part, which includes at least—
- (i) 3 hours in an airship in preparation for the practical test within the 60-day period preceding the date of the test:
- (ii) One cross-country flight of at least 1 hour in duration in an airship in day VFR conditions, consisting of a total straight-line distance of more than 25 nautical miles from the original point of departure; and
- (iii) One cross-country flight of at least 1 hour in duration in an airship in night VFR conditions, consisting of a total straight-line distance of more than 25 nautical miles from the original point of departure.
- (5) 10 hours of flight training performing the duties of pilot in command with an authorized instructor on the areas of operation listed in §61.127(b)(7) of this part, which includes at least—
- (i) One cross-country flight with landings at a minimum of three points, with one segment consisting of a straight-line distance of at least 25 nautical miles from the original point of departure: and
- (ii) 5 hours in night VFR conditions with 10 takeoffs and 10 landings (with each landing involving a flight in the traffic pattern).
- (h) For a balloon rating. A person who applies for a commercial pilot certificate with a lighter-than-air category and a balloon class rating must log at least 35 hours of flight time as a pilot, which includes at least the following requirements:
 - (1) 20 hours in balloons;
 - (2) 10 flights in balloons;

- (3) Two flights in balloons as the pilot in command; and
- (4) 10 hours of flight training that includes at least 10 training flights with an authorized instructor in balloons on the areas of operation listed in §61.127(b)(8) of this part, which consists of at least—
 - (i) For a gas balloon-
- (A) 2 training flights of 2 hours each with an authorized instructor in a gas balloon on the areas of operation appropriate to a gas balloon within 60 days prior to application for the rating;
- (B) 2 flights performing the duties of pilot in command in a gas balloon with an authorized instructor on the appropriate areas of operation; and
- (C) One flight involving a controlled ascent to 5,000 feet above the launch site.
- (ii) For a balloon with an airborne heater— $\,$
- (A) 2 training flights of 1 hour each with an authorized instructor in a balloon with an airborne heater on the areas of operation appropriate to a balloon with an airborne heater within 60 days prior to application for the rating;
- (B) Two solo flights in a balloon with an airborne heater on the appropriate areas of operation; and
- (C) One flight involving a controlled ascent to 3,000 feet above the launch site.
- (i) Permitted credit for use of a flight simulator or flight training device. (1) Except as provided in paragraph (i)(2) of this section, an applicant who has not accomplished the training required by this section in a course conducted by a training center certificated under part 142 of this chapter may:
- (i) Credit a maximum of 50 hours toward the total aeronautical experience requirements for an airplane or powered-lift rating, provided the aeronautical experience was obtained from an authorized instructor in a flight simulator or flight training device that represents that class of airplane or powered-lift category and type, if applicable, appropriate to the rating sought; and
- (ii) Credit a maximum of 25 hours toward the total aeronautical experience requirements of this section for a helicopter rating, provided the aeronautical experience was obtained from

an authorized instructor in a flight simulator or flight training device that represents a helicopter and type, if applicable, appropriate to the rating sought.

(2) An applicant who has accomplished the training required by this section in a course conducted by a training center certificated under part

142 of this chapter may:

(i) Credit a maximum of 100 hours toward the total aeronautical experience requirements of this section for an airplane and powered-lift rating, provided the aeronautical experience was obtained from an authorized instructor in a flight simulator or flight training device that represents that class of airplane or powered-lift category and type, if applicable, appropriate to the rating sought; and

(ii) Credit a maximum of 50 hours toward the total aeronautical experience requirements of this section for a helicopter rating, provided the aeronautical experience was obtained from an authorized instructor in a flight simulator or flight training device that represents a helicopter and type, if applicable, appropriate to the rating

sought.

(3) Except when fewer hours are approved by the Administrator, an applicant for a commercial pilot certificate with an airplane or a powered-lift rating who has satisfactorily completed an approved commercial pilot course conducted by a training center certificated under part 142 of this chapter need only have 190 hours of total to meet the aeronautical experience requirements of this section.

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§61.131 Exceptions to the night flying requirements.

- (a) Subject to the limitations of paragraph (b) of this section, a person is not required to comply with the night flight training requirements of this subpart if the person receives flight training in and resides in the State of Alaska.
- (b) A person who receives flight training in and resides in the State of Alaska but does not meet the night

flight training requirements of this section:

- (1) May be issued a pilot certificate with the limitation "night flying prohibited."
- (2) Must comply with the appropriate night flight training requirements of this subpart within the 12-calendarmonth period after the issuance of the pilot certificate. At the end of that period, the certificate will become invalid for use until the person complies with the appropriate night flight training requirements of this subpart. The person may have the "night flying prohibited" limitation removed if the person—
- (i) Accomplishes the appropriate night flight training requirements of this subpart; and
- (ii) Presents to an examiner a logbook or training record endorsement from an authorized instructor that verifies accomplishment of the appropriate night flight training requirements of this subpart.

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§61.133 Commercial pilot privileges and limitations.

- (a) Privileges—(1) General. A person who holds a commercial pilot certificate may act as pilot in command of an aircraft—
- (i) Carrying persons or property for compensation or hire, provided the person is qualified in accordance with this part and with the applicable parts of this chapter that apply to the operation; and
- (ii) For compensation or hire, provided the person is qualified in accordance with this part and with the applicable parts of this chapter that apply to the operation.
- (2) Commercial pilots with lighter-thanair category ratings. A person with a commercial pilot certificate with a lighter-than-air category rating may—
- (i) For an airship—(A) Give flight and ground training in an airship for the issuance of a certificate or rating;
- (B) Give an endorsement for a pilot certificate with an airship rating;
- (C) Endorse a student pilot certificate or logbook for solo operating privileges in an airship;

- (D) Act as pilot in command of an airship under IFR or in weather conditions less than the minimum prescribed for VFR flight; and
- (E) Give flight and ground training and endorsements that are required for a flight review, an operating privilege or recency-of-experience requirements of this part.
- (ii) For a balloon—(A) Give flight and ground training in a balloon for the issuance of a certificate or rating;
- (B) Give an endorsement for a pilot certificate with a balloon rating;
- (C) Endorse a student pilot certificate or logbook for solo operating privileges in a balloon; and
- (D) Give ground and flight training and endorsements that are required for a flight review, an operating privilege, or recency-of-experience requirements of this part.
- (b) Limitations. (1) A person who applies for a commercial pilot certificate with an airplane category or poweredlift category rating and does not hold an instrument rating in the same category and class will be issued a commercial pilot certificate that contains the limitation, "The carriage of passengers for hire in (airplanes) (powered-lifts) on cross-country flights in excess of 50 nautical miles or at night is prohibited." The limitation may be removed when the person satisfactorily accomplishes the requirements listed in §61.65 of this part for an instrument rating in the same category and class of aircraft listed on the person's commercial pilot certificate.
- (2) If a person who applies for a commercial pilot certificate with a balloon rating takes a practical test in a balloon with an airborne heater—
- (i) The pilot certificate will contain a limitation restricting the exercise of the privileges of that certificate to a balloon with an airborne heater.
- (ii) The limitation specified in paragraph (b)(2)(i) of this section may be removed when the person obtains the required aeronautical experience in a gas balloon and receives a logbook endorsement from an authorized instructor who attests to the person's accomplishment of the required aeronautical experience and ability to satisfactorily operate a gas balloon.

- (3) If a person who applies for a commercial pilot certificate with a balloon rating takes a practical test in a gas balloon—
- (i) The pilot certificate will contain a limitation restricting the exercise of the privileges of that certificate to a gas balloon.
- (ii) The limitation specified in paragraph (b)(3)(i) of this section may be removed when the person obtains the required aeronautical experience in a balloon with an airborne heater and receives a logbook endorsement from an authorized instructor who attests to the person's accomplishment of the required aeronautical experience and ability to satisfactorily operate a balloon with an airborne heater.

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§61.135-61.141 [Reserved]

Subpart G—Airline Transport Pilots

§61.151 Applicability.

This subpart prescribes the requirements for the issuance of airline transport pilot certificates and ratings, the conditions under which those certificates and ratings are necessary, and the general operating rules for persons who hold those certificates and ratings.

§61.153 Eligibility requirements: General.

To be eligible for an airline transport pilot certificate, a person must:

- (a) Be at least 23 years of age;
- (b) Be able to read, speak, write, and understand the English language. If the applicant is unable to meet one of these requirements due to medical reasons, then the Administrator may place such operating limitations on that applicant's pilot certificate as are necessary for the safe operation of the aircraft;
 - (c) Be of good moral character;
- (d) Meet at least one of the following requirements:
- (i) Hold at least a commercial pilot certificate and an instrument rating;
- (2) Meet the military experience requirements under §61.73 of this part to qualify for a commercial pilot certificate, and an instrument rating if the person is a rated military pilot or

former rated military pilot of an Armed Force of the United States; or

- (3) Hold either a foreign airline transport pilot or foreign commercial pilot license and an instrument rating, without limitations, issued by a contracting State to the Convention on International Civil Aviation.
- (e) Meet the aeronautical experience requirements of this subpart that apply to the aircraft category and class rating sought before applying for the practical test;
- (f) Pass a knowledge test on the aeronautical knowledge areas of §61.155(c) of this part that apply to the aircraft category and class rating sought;
- (g) Pass the practical test on the areas of operation listed in §61.157(e) of this part that apply to the aircraft category and class rating sought; and
- (h) Comply with the sections of this part that apply to the aircraft category and class rating sought.

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§61.155 Aeronautical knowledge.

- (a) *General.* The knowledge test for an airline transport pilot certificate is based on the aeronautical knowledge areas listed in paragraph (c) of this section that are appropriate to the aircraft category and class rating sought.
- (b) Aircraft type rating. A person who is applying for an additional aircraft type rating to be added to an airline transport pilot certificate is not required to pass a knowledge test if that person's airline transport pilot certificate lists the aircraft category and class rating that is appropriate to the type rating sought.
- (c) Aeronautical knowledge areas. (1) Applicable Federal Aviation Regulations of this chapter that relate to airline transport pilot privileges, limitations, and flight operations;
- (2) Meteorology, including knowledge of and effects of fronts, frontal characteristics, cloud formations, icing, and upper-air data;
- (3) General system of weather and NOTAM collection, dissemination, interpretation, and use;
- (4) Interpretation and use of weather charts, maps, forecasts, sequence reports, abbreviations, and symbols;

- (5) National Weather Service functions as they pertain to operations in the National Airspace System;
- (6) Windshear and microburst awareness, identification, and avoidance:
- (7) Principles of air navigation under instrument meteorological conditions in the National Airspace System;
- (8) Air traffic control procedures and pilot responsibilities as they relate to en route operations, terminal area and radar operations, and instrument departure and approach procedures;
- (9) Aircraft loading, weight and balance, use of charts, graphs, tables, formulas, and computations, and their effect on aircraft performance;
- (10) Aerodynamics relating to an aircraft's flight characteristics and performance in normal and abnormal flight regimes;
 - (11) Human factors;
- (12) Aeronautical decision making and judgment; and
- (13) Crew resource management to include crew communication and coordination.

§61.157 Flight proficiency.

- (a) *General.* (1) The practical test for an airline transport pilot certificate is given for—
- (i) An airplane category and singleengine class rating;
- (ii) An airplane category and multiengine class rating;
- (iii) A rotorcraft category and helicopter class rating;
- (iv) A powered-lift category rating; and
- (v) An aircraft type rating for the category and class ratings listed in paragraphs (a)(1)(i) through (a)(1)(iv) of this section.
- (2) A person who is applying for an airline transport pilot practical test must meet—
- (i) The eligibility requirements of §61.153 of this part; and
- (ii) The aeronautical knowledge and aeronautical experience requirements of this subpart that apply to the aircraft category and class rating sought.
- (b) Aircraft type rating. Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this section, a person who is applying for an aircraft type rating to be added to an airline transport pilot certificate:

(1) Must receive and log ground and flight training from an authorized instructor on the areas of operation in this section that apply to the aircraft type rating sought;

(2) Must receive a logbook endorsement from an authorized instructor certifying that the applicant completed the training on the areas of operation listed in paragraph (e) of this section that apply to the aircraft type

rating sought; and

- (3) Must perform the practical test in actual or simulated instrument conditions, unless the aircraft's type certificate makes the aircraft incapable of operating under instrument flight rules. If the practical test cannot be accomplished for this reason, the person may obtain a type rating limited to "VFR only." The "VFR only" limitation may be removed for that aircraft type when the person passes the practical test in actual or simulated instrument conditions.
- (c) Exceptions. A person who is applying for an aircraft type rating to be added to an airline transport pilot certificate or an aircraft type rating concurrently with an airline transport pilot certificate, and who is an employee of a certificate holder operating under part 121 or 135 of this chapter or of a fractional ownership program manager operating under subpart K of part 91 of this chapter, need not comply with the requirements of paragraph (b) of this section if the applicant presents a training record that shows satisfactory completion of that certificate holder's or program manager's approved pilot-in-command training program for the aircraft type rating sought.
- (d) Upgrading type ratings. Any type rating(s) on the pilot certificate of an applicant who successfully completes an airline transport pilot practical test shall be included on the airline transport pilot certificate with the privileges and limitations of the airline transport pilot certificate, provided the applicant passes the practical test in the same category and class of aircraft for which the applicant holds the type rating(s). However, if a type rating for that category and class of aircraft on the superseded pilot certificate is limited to VFR, that limitation shall be

carried forward to the person's airline transport pilot certificate level.

- (e) Areas of operation. (1) For an airplane category—single-engine class rating:
 - (i) Preflight preparation;
 - (ii) Preflight procedures;
 - (iii) Takeoff and departure phase;
 - (iv) In-flight maneuvers;
 - (v) Instrument procedures;
- (vi) Landings and approaches to landings;
- (vii) Normal and abnormal procedures;
 - (viii) Emergency procedures; and
 - (ix) Postflight procedures.
- (2) For an airplane category—multiengine class rating:
 - (i) Preflight preparation;
 - (ii) Preflight procedures;
 - (iii) Takeoff and departure phase;
 - (iv) In-flight maneuvers;
 - (v) Instrument procedures;
- (vi) Landings and approaches to landings;
- (vii) Normal and abnormal procedures;
- (viii) Emergency procedures; and
- (ix) Postflight procedures.
- (3) For a powered-lift category rating:
- (i) Preflight preparation;
- (ii) Preflight procedures;
- (iii) Takeoff and departure phase;
- (iv) In-flight maneuvers;
- (v) Instrument procedures;
- (vi) Landings and approaches to landings;
- (vii) Normal and abnormal procedures;
 - (viii) Emergency procedures; and
 - (ix) Postflight procedures.
- (4) For a rotorcraft category—helicopter class rating:
 - (i) Preflight preparation;
 - (ii) Preflight procedures;
 - (iii) Takeoff and departure phase;
 - (iv) In-flight maneuvers;
 - (v) Instrument procedures;
- (vi) Landings and approaches to landings;
- (vii) Normal and abnormal procedures:
 - (viii) Emergency procedures; and
 - (ix) Postflight procedures.
- (f) Proficiency and competency checks conducted under part 121, part 135, or subpart K of part 91. (1) Successful completion of any of the following checks

satisfy the requirements of this section for the appropriate aircraft rating:

(i) A proficiency check under §121.441 of this chapter.

(ii) Both a competency check under §135.293 of this chapter and a pilot-incommand instrument proficiency check under §135.297 of this chapter.

(iii) Both a competency check under §91.1065 of this chapter and a pilot-incommand instrument proficiency check under §91.1069 of this chapter.

- (2) The checks specified in paragraph (f)(1) of this section must be conducted by an authorized designated pilot examiner or FAA aviation safety inspector.
- (g) Use of a flight simulator or flight training device for an airplane rating. If a flight simulator or flight training device is used for accomplishing all of the training and the required practical test for an airplane transport pilot certificate with an airplane category, class, and type rating, if applicable, the applicant, flight simulator, and flight training device are subject to the following requirements:
- (1) The flight simulator and flight training device must represent that airplane type if the rating involves a type rating in an airplane, or is representative of an airplane if the applicant is only seeking an airplane class rating and does not require a type rating.
- (2) The flight simulator and flight training device must be used in accordance with an approved course at a training center certificated under part 142 of this chapter.
- (3) All training and testing (except preflight inspection) must be accomplished by the applicant to receive an airplane class rating and type rating, if applicable, without limitations and—
- (i) The flight simulator must be qualified and approved as Level C or Level D; and
- (ii) The applicant must meet the aeronautical experience requirements of §61.159 of this part and at least one of the following—
- (A) Hold a type rating for a turbojet airplane of the same class of airplane for which the type rating is sought, or have been designated by a military service as a pilot in command of an airplane of the same class of airplane for

which the type rating is sought, if a turbojet type rating is sought;

(B) Hold a type rating for a turbopropeller airplane of the same class as the airplane for which the type rating is sought, or have been appointed by a military service as a pilot in command of an airplane of the same class of airplane for which the type rating is sought, if a turbopropeller airplane type rating is sought;

(C) Have at least 2,000 hours of flight time, of which 500 hours must be in turbine-powered airplanes of the same class as the airplane for which the type

rating is sought;

(D) Have at least 500 hours of flight time in the same type of airplane as the airplane for which the type rating is sought; or

(E) Have at least 1,000 hours of flight time in at least two different airplanes

requiring a type rating.

- (4) Subject to the limitation of paragraph (g)(5) of this section, an applicant who does not meet the requirements of paragraph (g)(3) of this section may complete all training and testing (except for preflight inspection) for an additional rating if—
- (i) The flight simulator is qualified and approved as Level C or Level D;
- (ii) The applicant meets the aeronautical experience requirements of §61.159 of this part and at least one of the following—
- (A) Holds a type rating in a propellerdriven airplane if a type rating in a turbojet airplane is sought, or holds a type rating in a turbojet airplane if a type rating in a propeller-driven airplane is sought;
- (B) Since the beginning of the 12th calendar month before the month in which the applicant completes the practical test for the additional rating, has logged—
- (1) At least 100 hours of flight time in airplanes in the same class as the airplane for which the type rating is sought and which requires a type rating; and

(2) At least 25 hours of flight time in airplanes of the same type for which

the type rating is sought.

(5) An applicant meeting only the requirements of paragraph (g)(4)(ii)(A) and (B) of this section will be issued an

additional rating, or an airline transport pilot certificate with an added rating, as applicable, with a limitation. The limitation shall state: "This certificate is subject to pilot-in-command limitations for the additional rating."

- (6) An applicant who has been issued a certificate with the limitation specified in paragraph (g)(5) of this section—
- (i) May not act as pilot in command of the aircraft for which an additional rating was obtained under the provisions of this section until the limitation is removed from the certificate; and
- (ii) May have the limitation removed by accomplishing 15 hours of supervised operating experience as pilot in command under the supervision of a qualified and current pilot in command, in the seat normally occupied by the pilot in command, in an airplane of the same type for which the limitation applies.
- (7) An applicant who does not meet the requirements of paragraph (g)(3)(ii)(A) through (E) or (g)(4)(ii)(A) and (B) of this section may be issued an airline transport pilot certificate or an additional rating to that pilot certificate after successful completion of one of the following requirements—
- (i) An approved course at a part 142 training center that includes all training and testing for that certificate or rating, followed by training and testing on the following tasks, which must be successfully completed on a static airplane or in flight, as appropriate—
 - (A) Preflight inspection;
 - (B) Normal takeoff;
 - (C) Normal ILS approach;
 - (D) Missed approach; and
 - (E) Normal landing.
- (ii) An approved course at a part 142 training center that complies with paragraphs (g)(8) and (g)(9) of this section and includes all training and testing for a certificate or rating.
- (8) An applicant meeting only the requirements of paragraph (g)(7)(ii) of this section will be issued an additional rating or an airline transport pilot certificate with an additional rating, as applicable, with a limitation. The limitation shall state: "This certificate is subject to pilot-in-command limitations for the additional rating."

- (9) An applicant issued a pilot certificate with the limitation specified in paragraph (g)(8) of this section—
- (i) May not act as pilot in command of the aircraft for which an additional rating was obtained under the provisions of this section until the limitation is removed from the certificate; and
- (ii) May have the limitation removed by accomplishing 25 hours of supervised operating experience as pilot in command under the supervision of a qualified and current pilot in command, in the seat normally occupied by the pilot in command, in an airplane of the same type for which the limitation applies.
- (h) Use of a flight simulator or flight training device for a helicopter rating. If a flight simulator or flight training device is used for accomplishing all of the training and the required practical test for an airline transport pilot certificate with a helicopter class rating and type rating, if applicable, the applicant, flight simulator, and flight training device are subject to the following requirements:
- (1) The flight simulator and flight training device must represent that helicopter type if the rating involves a type rating in a helicopter, or is representative of a helicopter if the applicant is only seeking a helicopter class rating and does not require a type rating.
- (2) The flight simulator and flight training device must be used in accordance with an approved course at a training center certificated under part 142 of this chapter.
- (3) All training and testing requirements (except preflight inspection) must be accomplished by the applicant to receive a helicopter class rating and type rating, if applicable, without limitations and—
- (i) The flight simulator must be qualified and approved as a Level C or Level D; and
- (ii) The applicant must meet the aeronautical experience requirements of §61.161 of this part and at least one of the following—
- (A) Hold a type rating for a turbinepowered helicopter, or have been designated by a military service as a pilot

in command of a turbine-powered helicopter, if a turbine-powered helicopter type rating is sought;

(B) Have at least 1,200 hours of flight time, of which 500 hours must be in tur-

bine-powered helicopters;

(C) Have at least 500 hours of flight time in the same type helicopter as the helicopter for which the type rating is sought; or

(D) Have at least 1,000 hours of flight time in at least two different heli-

copters requiring a type rating.

- (4) Subject to the limitation of paragraph (h)(5) of this section, an applicant who does not meet the requirements of paragraph (h)(3) of this section may complete all training and testing (except for preflight inspection) for an additional rating if—
- (i) The flight simulator is qualified and approved as Level C or Level D;
- (ii) The applicant meets the aeronautical experience requirements of §61.161 of this part and, since the beginning of the 12th calendar month before the month in which the applicant completes the practical test for the additional rating, has logged—

(A) At least 100 hours of flight time in helicopters; and

- (B) At least 15 hours of flight time in helicopters of the same type of helicopter for which the type rating is sought.
- (5) An applicant meeting only the requirements of paragraph (h)(4)(ii) (A) and (B) of this section will be issued an additional rating or an airline transport pilot certificate with a limitation. The limitation shall state: "This certificate is subject to pilot-in-command limitations for the additional rating."
- (6) An applicant who has been issued a certificate with the limitation specified in paragraph (h)(5) of this section—
- (i) May not act as pilot in command of the helicopter for which an additional rating was obtained under the provisions of this section until the limitation is removed from the certificate; and
- (ii) May have the limitation removed by accomplishing 15 hours of supervised operating experience as pilot in command under the supervision of a qualified and current pilot in command, in the seat normally occupied by

the pilot in command, in a helicopter of the same type for which the limitation applies.

- (7) An applicant who does not meet the requirements of paragraph (h)(3)(ii) (A) through (D), or (h)(4)(ii) (A) and (B) of this section may be issued an airline transport pilot certificate or an additional rating to that pilot certificate after successful completion of one of the following requirements—
- (i) An approved course at a part 142 training center that includes all training and testing for that certificate or rating, followed by training and testing on the following tasks, which must be successfully completed on a static aircraft or in flight, as appropriate—

(A) Preflight inspection;

- (B) Normal takeoff from a hover;
- (C) Manually flown precision approach; and
- (D) Steep approach and landing to an off-airport heliport; or
- (ii) An approved course at a training center that includes all training and testing for that certificate or rating and compliance with paragraphs (h)(8) and (h)(9) of this section.
- (8) An applicant meeting only the requirements of paragraph (h)(7)(ii) of this section will be issued an additional rating or an airline transport pilot certificate with an additional rating, as applicable, with a limitation. The limitation shall state: "This certificate is subject to pilot-in-command limitations for the additional rating."
- (9) An applicant issued a certificate with the limitation specified in paragraph (h)(8) of this section—
- (i) May not act as pilot in command of the aircraft for which an additional rating was obtained under the provisions of this section until the limitation is removed from the certificate; and
- (ii) May have the limitation removed by accomplishing 25 hours of supervised operating experience as pilot in command under the supervision of a qualified and current pilot in command, in the seat normally occupied by the pilot in command, in an aircraft of the same type for which the limitation applies.
- (i) Use of a flight simulator or flight training device for a powered-lift rating. If a flight simulator or flight training

device is used for accomplishing all of the training and the required practical test for an airline transport pilot certificate with a powered-lift category rating and type rating, if applicable, the applicant, flight simulator, and flight training device are subject to the following requirements:

(1) The flight simulator and flight training device must represent that powered-lift type, if the rating involves a type rating in a powered-lift, or is representative of a powered-lift if the applicant is only seeking a powered-lift category rating and does not require a type rating.

(2) The flight simulator and flight training device must be used in accordance with an approved course at a training center certificated under part

142 of this chapter.

- (3) All training and testing requirements (except preflight inspection) must be accomplished by the applicant to receive a powered-lift category rating and type rating, if applicable, without limitations; and—
- (i) The flight simulator must be qualified and approved as Level C or Level D; and
- (ii) The applicant must meet the aeronautical experience requirements of §61.163 of this part and at least one of the following—
- (A) Hold a type rating for a turbinepowered powered-lift, or have been designated by a military service as a pilot in command of a turbine-powered powered-lift, if a turbine-powered poweredlift type rating is sought;

(B) Have at least 1,200 hours of flight time, of which 500 hours must be in turbine-powered powered-lifts;

- (C) Have at least 500 hours of flight time in the same type of powered-lift for which the type rating is sought; or
- (D) Have at least 1,000 hours of flight time in at least two different poweredlifts requiring a type rating.
- (4) Subject to the limitation of paragraph (i)(5) of this section, an applicant who does not meet the requirements of paragraph (i)(3) of this section may complete all training and testing (except for preflight inspection) for an additional rating if—
- (i) The flight simulator is qualified and approved as Level C or Level D; and

(ii) The applicant meets the aeronautical experience requirements of §61.163 of this part and, since the beginning of the 12th calendar month before the month in which the applicant completes the practical test for the additional rating, has logged—

(A) At least 100 hours of flight time in powered-lifts; and

(B) At least 15 hours of flight time in powered-lifts of the same type of powered-lift for the type rating sought.

- (5) An applicant meeting only the requirements of paragraph (i)(4)(ii) (A) and (B) of this section will be issued an additional rating or an airline transport pilot certificate with a limitation. The limitation shall state: "This certificate is subject to pilot-in-command limitations for the additional rating."
- (6) An applicant who has been issued a certificate with the limitation specified in paragraph (i)(5) of this section—
- (i) May not act as pilot in command of the powered-lift for which an additional rating was obtained under the provisions of this section until the limitation is removed from the certificate; and
- (ii) May have the limitation removed by accomplishing 15 hours of supervised operating experience as pilot in command under the supervision of a qualified and current pilot in command, in the seat normally occupied by the pilot in command, in a powered-lift of the same type for which the limitation applies.
- (7) Ån applicant who does not meet the requirements of paragraph (i)(3)(ii) (A) through (D) or (i)(4)(ii) (A) and (B) of this section may be issued an airline transport pilot certificate or an additional rating to that pilot certificate after successful completion of one of the following requirements—
- (i) An approved course at a part 142 training center that includes all training and testing for that certificate or rating, followed by training and testing on the following tasks, which must be successfully completed on a static aircraft or in flight, as appropriate—
 - (A) Preflight inspection;
 - (B) Normal takeoff from a hover;
- (C) Manually flown precision approach; and
- (D) Steep approach and landing to an off-airport site; or

- (ii) An approved course at a training center that includes all training and testing for that certificate or rating and is in compliance with paragraphs (i)(8) and (i)(9) of this section.
- (8) An applicant meeting only the requirements of paragraph (i)(7)(ii) of this section will be issued an additional rating or an airline transport pilot certificate with an additional rating, as applicable, with a limitation. The limitation shall state: "This certificate is subject to pilot-in-command limitations for the additional rating."

(9) An applicant issued a pilot certificate with the limitation specified in paragraph (i) (8) of this section—

- (i) May not act as pilot in command of the aircraft for which an additional rating was obtained under the provisions of this section until the limitation is removed from the certificate; and
- (ii) May have the limitation removed by accomplishing 25 hours of supervised operating experience as pilot in command under the supervision of a qualified and current pilot in command, in the seat normally occupied by the pilot in command, in a powered-lift of the same type for which the limitation applies.
- (j) Waiver authority. Unless the Administrator requires certain or all tasks to be performed, the examiner who conducts the practical test for an airline transport pilot certificate may waive any of the tasks for which the Administrator approves waiver authority.

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§61.158 [Reserved]

§61.159 Aeronautical experience: Airplane category rating.

- (a) Except as provided in paragraphs (b), (c), and (d) of this section, a person who is applying for an airline transport pilot certificate with an airplane category and class rating must have at least 1,500 hours of total time as a pilot that includes at least:
- (1) 500 hours of cross-country flight time.
 - (2) 100 hours of night flight time.

- (3) 75 hours of instrument flight time, in actual or simulated instrument conditions, subject to the following:
- (i) Except as provided in paragraph (a)(3)(ii) of this section, an applicant may not receive credit for more than a total of 25 hours of simulated instrument time in a flight simulator or flight training device.
- (ii) A maximum of 50 hours of training in a flight simulator or flight training device may be credited toward the instrument flight time requirements of paragraph (a)(3) of this section if the training was accomplished in a course conducted by a training center certificated under part 142 of this chapter.
- (iii) Training in a flight simulator or flight training device must be accomplished in a flight simulator or flight training device, representing an airplane.
- (4) 250 hours of flight time in an airplane as a pilot in command, or as second in command performing the duties of pilot in command while under the supervision of a pilot in command, or any combination thereof, which includes at least—
- (i) 100 hours of cross-country flight time; and
 - (ii) 25 hours of night flight time.
- (5) Not more than 100 hours of the total aeronautical experience requirements of paragraph (a) of this section may be obtained in a flight simulator or flight training device that represents an airplane, provided the aeronautical experience was obtained in an approved course conducted by a training center certificated under part 142 of this chapter.
- (b) A person who has performed at least 20 night takeoffs and landings to a full stop may substitute each additional night takeoff and landing to a full stop for 1 hour of night flight time to satisfy the requirements of paragraph (a)(2) of this section; however, not more than 25 hours of night flight time may be credited in this manner.
- (c) A commercial pilot may credit the following second-in-command flight time or flight-engineer flight time toward the 1,500 hours of total time as a pilot required by paragraph (a) of this section:

- (i) Required to have more than one pilot flight crewmember by the airplane's flight manual, type certificate, or the regulations under which the flight is being conducted;

(ii) Engaged in operations under subpart K of part 91, part 121, or part 135 of this chapter for which a second in com-

mand is required; or

(iii) That is required by the operating rules of this chapter to have more than one pilot flight crewmember.

- (2) Flight-engineer time, provided the time—
- (i) Is acquired in an airplane required to have a flight engineer by the airplane's flight manual or type certificate;
- (ii) Is acquired while engaged in operations under part 121 of this chapter for which a flight engineer is required;
- (iii) Is acquired while the person is participating in a pilot training program approved under part 121 of this chapter; and
- (iv) Does not exceed more than 1 hour for each 3 hours of flight engineer flight time for a total credited time of no more than 500 hours.
- (d) An applicant may be issued an airline transport pilot certificate with the endorsement, "Holder does not meet the pilot in command aeronautical experience requirements of ICAO," as prescribed by Article 39 of the Convention on International Civil Aviation, if the applicant:
- (1) Credits second-in-command or flight-engineer time under paragraph (c) of this section toward the 1,500 hours total flight time requirement of paragraph (a) of this section;
- (2) Does not have at least 1,200 hours of flight time as a pilot, including no more than 50 percent of his or her second-in-command time and none of his or her flight-engineer time; and

(3) Otherwise meets the requirements of paragraph (a) of this section.

(e) When the applicant specified in paragraph (d) of this section presents satisfactory evidence of the accumulation of 1,200 hours of flight time as a pilot including no more than 50 percent of his or her second-in-command flight time and none of his or her flight-engi-

neer time, the applicant is entitled to an airline transport pilot certificate without the endorsement prescribed in that paragraph.

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§61.161 Aeronautical experience: Rotorcraft category and helicopter class rating.

- (a) A person who is applying for an airline transport pilot certificate with a rotorcraft category and helicopter class rating, must have at least 1,200 hours of total time as a pilot that includes at least:
- (1) 500 hours of cross-country flight time;
- (2) 100 hours of night flight time, of which 15 hours are in helicopters;
- (3) 200 hours of flight time in helicopters, which includes at least 75 hours as a pilot in command, or as second in command performing the duties of a pilot in command under the supervision of a pilot in command, or any combination thereof: and
- (4) 75 hours of instrument flight time in actual or simulated instrument meteorological conditions, of which at least 50 hours are obtained in flight with at least 25 hours in helicopters as a pilot in command, or as second in command performing the duties of a pilot in command under the supervision of a pilot in command, or any combination thereof.
- (b) Training in a flight simulator or flight training device may be credited toward the instrument flight time requirements of paragraph (a)(4) of this section, subject to the following:
- (1) Training in a flight simulator or a flight training device must be accomplished in a flight simulator or flight training device that represents a rotorcraft.
- (2) Except as provided in paragraph (b)(3) of this section, an applicant may receive credit for not more than a total of 25 hours of simulated instrument time in a flight simulator and flight training device.
- (3) A maximum of 50 hours of training in a flight simulator or flight training device may be credited toward the instrument flight time requirements of

paragraph (a)(4) of this section if the aeronautical experience is accomplished in an approved course conducted by a training center certificated under part 142 of this chapter.

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§61.163 Aeronautical experience: Powered-lift category rating.

- (a) A person who is applying for an airline transport pilot certificate with a powered-lift category rating must have at least 1,500 hours of total time as a pilot that includes at least:
- (1) 500 hours of cross-country flight time:
- (2) 100 hours of night flight time;
- (3) 250 hours in a powered-lift as a pilot in command, or as a second in command performing the duties of a pilot in command under the supervision of a pilot in command, or any combination thereof, which includes at least—
- (i) 100 hours of cross-country flight time: and
 - (ii) 25 hours of night flight time.
- (4) 75 hours of instrument flight time in actual or simulated instrument conditions, subject to the following:
- (i) Except as provided in paragraph (a)(4)(ii) of this section, an applicant may not receive credit for more than a total of 25 hours of simulated instrument time in a flight simulator or flight training device.
- (ii) A maximum of 50 hours of training in a flight simulator or flight training device may be credited toward the instrument flight time requirements of paragraph (a)(4) of this section if the training was accomplished in a course conducted by a training center certificated under part 142 of this chapter.
- (iii) Training in a flight simulator or flight training device must be accomplished in a flight simulator or flight training device that represents a powered-lift.
- (b) Not more than 100 hours of the total aeronautical experience requirements of paragraph (a) of this section may be obtained in a flight simulator or flight training device that represents a powered-lift, provided the aeronautical experience was obtained in an approved course conducted by a

training center certificated under part 142 of this chapter.

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§61.165 Additional aircraft category and class ratings.

- (a) Rotorcraft category and helicopter class rating. A person applying for an airline transport certificate with a rotorcraft category and helicopter class rating who holds an airline transport pilot certificate with another aircraft category rating must:
- (1) Meet the eligibility requirements of §61.153 of this part;
- (2) Pass a knowledge test on the aeronautical knowledge areas of §61.155(c) of this part;
- (3) Comply with the requirements in §61.157(b) of this part, if appropriate;
- (4) Meet the applicable aeronautical experience requirements of §61.161 of this part; and
- (5) Pass the practical test on the areas of operation of §61.157(e)(4) of this part.
- (b) Airplane category rating with a single-engine class rating. A person applying for an airline transport certificate with an airplane category and single-engine class rating who holds an airline transport pilot certificate with another aircraft category rating must:
- (1) Meet the eligibility requirements of §61.153 of this part;
- (2) Pass a knowledge test on the aeronautical knowledge areas of §61.155(c) of this part;
- (3) Comply with the requirements in §61.157(b) of this part, if appropriate;
- (4) Meet the applicable aeronautical experience requirements of §61.159 of this part; and
- (5) Pass the practical test on the areas of operation of §61.157(e)(1) of this part.
- (c) Airplane category rating with a multiengine class rating. A person applying for an airline transport certificate with an airplane category and multiengine class rating who holds an airline transport certificate with another aircraft category rating must:
- (1) Meet the eligibility requirements of §61.153 of this part;

- (2) Pass a knowledge test on the aeronautical knowledge areas of §61.155(c) of this part;
- (3) Comply with the requirements in §61.157(b) of this part, if appropriate;
- (4) Meet the applicable aeronautical experience requirements of §61.159 of this part; and
- (5) Pass the practical test on the areas of operation of §61.157(e)(2) of this part.
- (d) *Powered-lift category*. A person applying for an airline transport pilot certificate with a powered-lift category rating who holds an airline transport certificate with another aircraft category rating must:
- (1) Meet the eligibility requirements of §61.153 of this part;
- (2) Pass a required knowledge test on the aeronautical knowledge areas of §61.155(c) of this part;
- (3) Comply with the requirements in §61.157(b) of this part, if appropriate;
- (4) Meet the applicable aeronautical experience requirements of §61.163 of this part; and
- (5) Pass the required practical test on the areas of operation of §61.157(e)(3) of this part.
- (e) Additional class rating within the same aircraft category. A person applying for an airline transport certificate with an additional class rating who holds an airline transport certificate in the same aircfaft category must—
- (1) Meet the eligibility requirements of §61.153, except paragraph (f) of that section:
- (2) Comply with the requirements in §61.157(b) of this part, if applicable;
- (3) Meet the applicable aeronautical experience requirements of subpart G of this part; and
- (4) Pass a practical test on the areas of operation of §61.157(e) appropriate to the aircraft rating sought.
- (f) Category class ratings for the operation of aircraft with experimental certificates. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs (a) through (e) of this section, a person holding an airline transport certificate may apply for a category and class rating limited to a specific make and model of experimental aircraft, provided—
- (1) The person has logged at least 5 hours flight time while acting as pilot in command in the same category,

- class, make, and model of aircraft that has been issued an experimental certificate:
- (2) The person has received a logbook endorsement from an authorized instructor who has determined that he or she is proficient to act as pilot in command of the same category, class, make, and model of aircraft for which application is made; and
- (3) The flight time specified in paragraph (f)(1) of this section must be logged between September 1, 2004 and August 31, 2005.

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§61.167 Privileges.

- (a) A person who holds an airline transport pilot certificate is entitled to the same privileges as those afforded a person who holds a commercial pilot certificate with an instrument rating.
- (b) An airline transport pilot may instruct—
- (1) Other pilots in air transportation service in aircraft of the category, class, and type, as applicable, for which the airline transport pilot is rated and endorse the logbook or other training record of the person to whom training has been given;
- (2) In flight simulators, and flight training devices representing the aircraft referenced in paragraph (b)(1) of this section, when instructing under the provisions of this section and endorse the logbook or other training record of the person to whom training has been given;
- (3) Only as provided in this section, unless the airline transport pilot also holds a flight instructor certificate, in which case the holder may exercise the instructor privileges of subpart H of part 61 for which he or she is rated; and
- (4) In an aircraft, only if the aircraft has functioning dual controls, when instructing under the provisions of this section.
- (c) Excluding briefings and debriefings, an airline transport pilot may not instruct in aircraft, flight simulators, and flight training devices under this section—
- (1) For more than 8 hours in any 24-consecutive-hour period; or

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- (2) For more than 36 hours in any 7-consecutive-day period.
- (d) An airline transport pilot may not instruct in Category II or Category III operations unless he or she has been trained and successfully tested under Category II or Category III operations, as applicable.

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§§ 61.169-69.171 [Reserved]

Subpart H—Flight Instructors Other than Flight Instructors With a Sport Pilot Rating

§61.181 Applicability.

This subpart prescribes the requirements for the issuance of flight instructor certificates and ratings (except for flight instructor certificates with a sport pilot rating), the conditions under which those certificates and ratings are necessary, and the limitations on those certificates and ratings.

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§61.183 Eligibility requirements.

To be eligible for a flight instructor certificate or rating a person must:

- (a) Be at least 18 years of age;
- (b) Be able to read, speak, write, and understand the English language. If the applicant is unable to meet one of these requirements due to medical reasons, then the Administrator may place such operating limitations on that applicant's flight instructor certificate as are necessary;
- (c) Hold either a commercial pilot certificate or airline transport pilot certificate with:
- (1) An aircraft category and class rating that is appropriate to the flight instructor rating sought; and
- (2) An instrument rating, or privileges on that person's pilot certificate that are appropriate to the flight instructor rating sought, if applying for—
- (i) A flight instructor certificate with an airplane category and single-engine class rating;

- (ii) A flight instructor certificate with an airplane category and multiengine class rating;
- (iii) A flight instructor certificate with a powered-lift rating; or
- (iv) A flight instructor certificate with an instrument rating.
- (d) Receive a logbook endorsement from an authorized instructor on the fundamentals of instructing listed in §61.185 of this part appropriate to the required knowledge test;
- (e) Pass a knowledge test on the areas listed in §61.185(a)(1) of this part, unless the applicant:
- (1) Holds a flight instructor certificate or ground instructor certificate issued under this part;
- (2) Holds a current teacher's certificate issued by a State, county, city, or municipality that authorizes the person to teach at an educational level of the 7th grade or higher; or
- (3) Is employed as a teacher at an accredited college or university.
- (f) Pass a knowledge test on the aeronautical knowledge areas listed in §61.185(a)(2) and (a)(3) of this part that are appropriate to the flight instructor rating sought;
- (g) Receive a logbook endorsement from an authorized instructor on the areas of operation listed in §61.187(b) of this part, appropriate to the flight instructor rating sought;
- (h) Pass the required practical test that is appropriate to the flight instructor rating sought in an:
- (1) Aircraft that is representative of the category and class of aircraft for the aircraft rating sought; or
- (2) Flight simulator or approved flight training device that is representative of the category and class of aircraft for the rating sought, and used in accordance with a course at a training center certificated under part 142 of this chapter.
- (i) Accomplish the following for a flight instructor certificate with an airplane or a glider rating:
- (1) Receive a logbook endorsement from an authorized instructor indicating that the applicant is competent and possesses instructional proficiency in stall awareness, spin entry, spins,

and spin recovery procedures after providing the applicant with flight training in those training areas in an airplane or glider, as appropriate, that is certificated for spins; and

- (2) Demonstrate instructional proficiency in stall awareness, spin entry, spins, and spin recovery procedures. However, upon presentation of the endorsement specified in paragraph (i)(1) of this section an examiner may accept that endorsement as satisfactory evidence of instructional proficiency in stall awareness, spin entry, spins, and spin recovery procedures for the practical test, provided that the practical test is not a retest as a result of the applicant failing the previous test for deficiencies in the knowledge or skill of stall awareness, spin entry, spins, or spin recovery instructional procedures. If the retest is a result of deficiencies in the ability of an applicant to demonstrate knowledge or skill of stall awareness, spin entry, spins, or spin recovery instructional procedures, the examiner must test the person on stall awareness, spin entry, spins, and spin recovery instructional procedures in an airplane or glider, as appropriate, that is certificated for spins;
- (j) Log at least 15 hours as pilot in command in the category and class of aircraft that is appropriate to the flight instructor rating sought; and
- (k) Comply with the appropriate sections of this part that apply to the flight instructor rating sought.

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§61.185 Aeronautical knowledge.

- (a) A person who is applying for a flight instructor certificate must receive and log ground training from an authorized instructor on:
- (1) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, the fundamentals of instructing, including:
 - (i) The learning process;
 - (ii) Elements of effective teaching;
 - (iii) Student evaluation and testing;
 - (iv) Course development;
 - (v) Lesson planning; and
 - (vi) Classroom training techniques.
- (2) The aeronautical knowledge areas for a recreational, private, and commercial pilot certificate applicable to

the aircraft category for which flight instructor privileges are sought; and

- (3) The aeronautical knowledge areas for the instrument rating applicable to the category for which instrument flight instructor privileges are sought.
- (b) The following applicants do not need to comply with paragraph (a)(1) of this section:
- (1) The holder of a flight instructor certificate or ground instructor certificate issued under this part;
- (2) The holder of a current teacher's certificate issued by a State, county, city, or municipality that authorizes the person to teach at an educational level of the 7th grade or higher; or
- (3) A person employed as a teacher at an accredited college or university.

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§61.187 Flight proficiency.

- (a) General. A person who is applying for a flight instructor certificate must receive and log flight and ground training from an authorized instructor on the areas of operation listed in this section that apply to the flight instructor rating sought. The applicant's logbook must contain an endorsement from an authorized instructor certifying that the person is proficient to pass a practical test on those areas of operation.
- (b) *Areas of operation.* (1) For an airplane category rating with a single-engine class rating:
 - (i) Fundamentals of instructing;
- (ii) Technical subject areas;
- (iii) Preflight preparation;
- (iv) Preflight lesson on a maneuver to be performed in flight;
 - (v) Preflight procedures;
- (vi) Airport and seaplane base operations;
- (vii) Takeoffs, landings, and goarounds:
 - (viii) Fundamentals of flight;
 - (ix) Performance maneuvers;
 - (x) Ground reference maneuvers;
 - (xi) Slow flight, stalls, and spins;
 - (xii) Basic instrument maneuvers;
 - (xiii) Emergency operations; and
 - (xiv) Postflight procedures.
- (2) For an airplane category rating with a multiengine class rating:
- (i) Fundamentals of instructing;
- (ii) Technical subject areas;

- (iii) Preflight preparation;
- (iv) Preflight lesson on a maneuver to be performed in flight;
 - (v) Preflight procedures;
- (vi) Airport and seaplane base oper-
- (vii) Takeoffs, landings, and goarounds;
 - (viii) Fundamentals of flight;
 - (ix) Performance maneuvers;
 - (x) Ground reference maneuvers:
 - (xi) Slow flight and stalls;
 - (xii) Basic instrument maneuvers;
 - (xiii) Emergency operations;
- (xiv) Multiengine operations; and
- (xv) Postflight procedures.
- (3) For a rotorcraft category rating with a helicopter class rating:
 - (i) Fundamentals of instructing:
 - (ii) Technical subject areas;
- (iii) Preflight preparation;
- (iv) Preflight lesson on a maneuver to be performed in flight;
 - (v) Preflight procedures;
 - (vi) Airport and heliport operations;
 - (vii) Hovering maneuvers;
- (viii) Takeoffs, landings, and goarounds:
 - (ix) Fundamentals of flight;
 - (x) Performance maneuvers;
 - (xi) Emergency operations;
 - (xii) Special operations; and
- (xiii) Postflight procedures.
- (4) For a rotorcraft category rating with a gyroplane class rating:
- (i) Fundamentals of instructing;
- (ii) Technical subject areas;
- (iii) Preflight preparation;
- (iv) Preflight lesson on a maneuver to be performed in flight;
 - (v) Preflight procedures;
 - (vi) Airport operations;
- (vii) Takeoffs, landings, and arounds:
 - (viii) Fundamentals of flight;
 - (ix) Performance maneuvers:
 - (x) Flight at slow airspeeds;
 - (xi) Ground reference maneuvers;
 - (xii) Emergency operations; and
- (xiii) Postflight procedures.
- (5) For a powered-lift category rat-
 - (i) Fundamentals of instructing;
 - (ii) Technical subject areas;
 - (iii) Preflight preparation;
- (iv) Preflight lesson on a maneuver to be performed in flight;
- (v) Preflight procedures;
- (vi) Airport and heliport operations;

- (vii) Hovering maneuvers;
- (viii) Takeoffs, landings, and goarounds:
 - (ix) Fundamentals of flight;
 - (x) Performance maneuvers;
 - (xi) Ground reference maneuvers;
 - (xii) Slow flight and stalls;
- (xiii) Basic instrument maneuvers;
- (xiv) Emergency operations;
- (xv) Special operations; and
- (xvi) Postflight procedures.
- (6) For a glider category rating:
- (i) Fundamentals of instructing; (ii) Technical subject areas;
- (iii) Preflight preparation;
- (iv) Preflight lesson on a maneuver to be performed in flight;
 - (v) Preflight procedures;
- (vi) Airport and gliderport operations:
- (vii) Launches, landings, and goarounds;
 - (viii) Fundamentals of flight;
 - (ix) Performance speeds;
 - (x) Soaring techniques;
 - (xi) Performance maneuvers;
 - (xii) Slow flight, stalls, and spins;
 - (xiii) Emergency operations; and
 - (xiv) Postflight procedures.
- (7) For an instrument rating with the appropriate aircraft category and class
 - (i) Fundamentals of instructing;
 - (ii) Technical subject areas;
 - (iii) Preflight preparation;
- (iv) Preflight lesson on a maneuver to be performed in flight;
- (v) Air traffic control clearances and procedures;
- (vi) Flight by reference to instruments:
 - (vii) Navigation aids;
- (viii) Instrument approach procedures:
 - (ix) Emergency operations; and
 - (x) Postflight procedures.
- (c) The flight training required by this section may be accomplished:
- (1) In an aircraft that is representative of the category and class of aircraft for the rating sought; or
- (2) In a flight simulator or flight training device representative of the category and class of aircraft for the rating sought, and used in accordance with an approved course at a training

center certificated under part 142 of this chapter.

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§61.189 Flight instructor records.

- (a) A flight instructor must sign the logbook of each person to whom that instructor has given flight training or ground training.
- (b) A flight instructor must maintain a record in a logbook or a separate document that contains the following:
- (1) The name of each person whose logbook or student pilot certificate that instructor has endorsed for solo flight privileges, and the date of the endorsement; and
- (2) The name of each person that instructor has endorsed for a knowledge test or practical test, and the record shall also indicate the kind of test, the date, and the results.
- (c) Each flight instructor must retain the records required by this section for at least 3 years.

§61.191 Additional flight instructor ratings.

- (a) A person who applies for an additional flight instructor rating on a flight instructor certificate must meet the eligibility requirements listed in §61.183 of this part that apply to the flight instructor rating sought.
- (b) A person who applies for an additional rating on a flight instructor certificate is not required to pass the knowledge test on the areas listed in §61.185(a)(1) of this part.

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§61.193 Flight instructor privileges.

A person who holds a flight instructor certificate is authorized within the limitations of that person's flight instructor certificate and ratings to give training and endorsements that are required for, and relate to:

- (a) A student pilot certificate;
- (b) A pilot certificate;
- (c) A flight instructor certificate;
- (d) A ground instructor certificate;
- (e) An aircraft rating;
- (f) An instrument rating;

- (g) A flight review, operating privilege, or recency of experience requirement of this part;
 - (h) A practical test; and
 - (i) A knowledge test.

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§61.195 Flight instructor limitations and qualifications.

A person who holds a flight instructor certificate is subject to the following limitations:

- (a) *Hours of training.* In any 24-consecutive-hour period, a flight instructor may not conduct more than 8 hours of flight training.
- (b) Aircraft ratings. A flight instructor may not conduct flight training in any aircraft for which the flight instructor does not hold:
- (1) A pilot certificate and flight instructor certificate with the applicable category and class rating; and
 - (2) If appropriate, a type rating,
- (c) Instrument Rating. A flight instructor who provides instrument flight training for the issuance of an instrument rating or a type rating not limited to VFR must hold an instrument rating on his or her flight instructor certificate and pilot certificate that is appropriate to the category and class of aircraft in which instrument training is being provided.
- (d) *Limitations on endorsements.* A flight instructor may not endorse a:
- (1) Student pilot's certificate or logbook for solo flight privileges, unless that flight instructor has—
- (i) Given that student the flight training required for solo flight privileges required by this part; and
- (ii) Determined that the student is prepared to conduct the flight safely under known circumstances, subject to any limitations listed in the student's logbook that the instructor considers necessary for the safety of the flight.
- (2) Student pilot's certificate and logbook for a solo cross-country flight, unless that flight instructor has determined the student's flight preparation, planning, equipment, and proposed procedures are adequate for the proposed flight under the existing conditions and within any limitations listed in

the logbook that the instructor considers necessary for the safety of the flight;

- (3) Student pilot's certificate and logbook for solo flight in a Class B airspace area or at an airport within Class B airspace unless that flight instructor has—
- (i) Given that student ground and flight training in that Class B airspace or at that airport; and
- (ii) Determined that the student is proficient to operate the aircraft safely.
- (4) Logbook of a recreational pilot, unless that flight instructor has—
- (i) Given that pilot the ground and flight training required by this part; and
- (ii) Determined that the recreational pilot is proficient to operate the aircraft safely.
- (5) Logbook of a pilot for a flight review, unless that instructor has conducted a review of that pilot in accordance with the requirements of §61.56(a) of this part; or
- (6) Logbook of a pilot for an instrument proficiency check, unless that instructor has tested that pilot in accordance with the requirements of §61.57(d) of this part.
- (e) Training in an aircraft that requires a type rating. A flight instructor may not give flight training in an aircraft that requires the pilot in command to hold a type rating unless the flight instructor holds a type rating for that aircraft on his or her pilot certificate.
- (f) Training received in a multiengine airplane, a helicopter, or a powered-lift. A flight instructor may not give training required for the issuance of a certificate or rating in a multiengine airplane, a helicopter, or a powered-lift unless that flight instructor has at least 5 flight hours of pilot-in-command time in the specific make and model of multiengine airplane, helicopter, or powered-lift, as appropriate.
- (g) Position in aircraft and required pilot stations for providing flight training. (1) A flight instructor must perform all training from in an aircraft that complies with the requirements of §91.109 of this chapter.
- (2) A flight instructor who provides flight training for a pilot certificate or rating issued under this part must pro-

vide that flight training in an aircraft that meets the following requirements—

(i) The aircraft must have at least two pilot stations and be of the same category, class, and type, if appropriate, that applies to the pilot certificate or rating sought.

(ii) For single-place aircraft, the presolo flight training must have been provided in an aircraft that has two pilot stations and is of the same category, class, and type, if appropriate.

- (h) Qualifications of the flight instructor for training first-time flight instructor applicants. (1) The ground training provided to an initial applicant for a flight instructor certificate must be given by an authorized instructor who—
- (i) Holds a current ground or flight instructor certificate with the appropriate rating, has held that certificate for at least 24 months, and has given at least 40 hours of ground training; or
- (ii) Holds a current ground or flight instructor certificate with the appropriate rating, and has given at least 100 hours of ground training in an FAA-approved course.
- (2) Except for an instructor who meets the requirements of paragraph (h)(3)(ii) of this section, a flight instructor who provides training to an initial applicant for a flight instructor certificate must—
- (i) Meet the eligibility requirements prescribed in §61.183 of this part;
- (ii) Hold the appropriate flight instructor certificate and rating;
- (iii) Have held a flight instructor certificate for at least 24 months;
- (iv) For training in preparation for an airplane, rotorcraft, or powered-lift rating, have given at least 200 hours of flight training as a flight instructor; and
- (v) For training in preparation for a glider rating, have given at least 80 hours of flight training as a flight instructor.
- (3) A flight instructor who serves as a flight instructor in an FAA-approved course for the issuance of a flight instructor rating must hold a current flight instructor certificate with the appropriate rating and pass the required initial and recurrent flight instructor proficiency tests, in accordance with the requirements of the part

under which the FAA-approved course is conducted, and must—

(i) Meet the requirements of paragraph (h)(2) of this section; or

(ii) Have trained and endorsed at least five applicants for a practical test for a pilot certificate, flight instructor certificate, ground instructor certificate, or an additional rating, and at least 80 percent of those applicants passed that test on their first attempt; and

(A) Given at least 400 hours of flight training as a flight instructor for training in an airplane, a rotorcraft, or for a powered-lift rating; or

(B) Given at least 100 hours of flight training as a flight instructor, for

training in a glider rating.

- (i) Prohibition against self-endorsements. A flight instructor shall not make any self-endorsement for a certificate, rating, flight review, authorization, operating privilege, practical test, or knowledge test that is required by this part.
- (j) Additional qualifications required to give training in Category II or Category III operations. A flight instructor may not give training in Category II or Category III operations unless the flight instructor has been trained and tested in Category II or Category III operations, pursuant to §61.67 or §61.68 of this part, as applicable.

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§61.197 Renewal of flight instructor certificates.

- (a) A person who holds a flight instructor certificate that has not expired may renew that certificate by—
 - (1) Passing a practical test for—
- (i) One of the ratings listed on the current flight instructor certificate; or
- (ii) An additional flight instructor rating; or
- (2) Presenting to an authorized FAA Flight Standards Inspector—
- (i) A record of training students showing that, during the preceding 24 calendar months, the flight instructor has endorsed at least five students for a practical test for a certificate or rating and at least 80 percent of those students passed that test on the first attempt;

(ii) A record showing that, within the preceding 24 calendar months, the flight instructor has served as a company check pilot, chief flight instructor, company check airman, or flight instructor in a part 121 or part 135 operation, or in a position involving the regular evaluation of pilots; or

(iii) A graduation certificate showing that, within the preceding 3 calendar months, the person has successfully completed an approved flight instructor refresher course consisting of ground training or flight training, or a

combination of both.

(b) The expiration month of a renewed flight instructor certificate shall be 24 calendar months from—

- (1) The month the renewal requirements of paragraph (a) of this section are accomplished; or
- (2) The month of expiration of the current flight instructor certificate provided—
- (i) The renewal requirements of paragraph (a) of this section are accomplished within the 3 calendar months preceding the expiration month of the current flight instructor certificate, and
- (ii) If the renewal is accomplished under paragraph (a)(2)(iii) of this section, the approved flight instructor refresher course must be completed within the 3 calendar months preceding the expiration month of the current flight instructor certificate.
- (c) The practical test required by paragraph (a)(1) of this section may be accomplished in a flight simulator or flight training device if the test is accomplished pursuant to an approved course conducted by a training center certificated under part 142 of this chapter.

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§61.199 Expired flight instructor certificates and ratings.

- (a) Flight instructor certificates. The holder of an expired flight instructor certificate may exchange that certificate for a new certificate with the same ratings by passing a practical test as prescribed in §61.183(h) of this part for one of the ratings listed on the expired flight instructor certificate.
- (b) Flight instructor ratings. (1) A flight instructor rating or a limited

flight instructor rating on a pilot certificate is no longer valid and may not be exchanged for a similar rating or a flight instructor certificate.

(2) The holder of a flight instructor rating or a limited flight instructor rating on a pilot certificate may be issued a flight instructor certificate with the current ratings, but only if the person passes the required knowledge and practical test prescribed in this subpart for the issuance of the current flight instructor certificate and rating.

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§61.201 [Reserved]

Subpart I—Ground Instructors

§61.211 Applicability.

This subpart prescribes the requirements for the issuance of ground instructor certificates and ratings, the conditions under which those certificates and ratings are necessary, and the limitations upon those certificates and ratings.

§61.213 Eligibility requirements.

- (a) To be eligible for a ground instructor certificate or rating a person must:
 - (1) Be at least 18 years of age;
- (2) Be able to read, write, speak, and understand the English language. If the applicant is unable to meet one of these requirements due to medical reasons, then the Administrator may place such operating limitations on that applicant's ground instructor certificate as are necessary;
- (3) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, pass a knowledge test on the fundamentals of instructing to include—
 - (i) The learning process;
 - (ii) Elements of effective teaching;
 - (iii) Student evaluation and testing;
 - (iv) Course development;
 - (v) Lesson planning; and
 - (vi) Classroom training techniques.(4) Pass a knowledge test on the aero-
- (4) Pass a knowledge test on the ac nautical knowledge areas in—
- (i) For a basic ground instructor rating §§ 61.97, 61.105, and 61.309;

- (ii) For an advanced ground instructor rating §§ 61.97, 61.105, 61.125, 61.155, and 61.309; and
- (iii) For an instrument ground instructor rating, §61.65.
- (b) The knowledge test specified in paragraph (a)(3) of this section is not required if the applicant:
- (1) Holds a ground instructor certificate or flight instructor certificate issued under this part;
- (2) Holds a current teacher's certificate issued by a State, county, city, or municipality that authorizes the person to teach at an educational level of the 7th grade or higher; or
- (3) Is employed as a teacher at an accredited college or university.

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§61.215 Ground instructor privileges.

- (a) A person who holds a basic ground instructor rating is authorized to provide—
- (1) Ground training in the aeronautical knowledge areas required for the issuance of a sport pilot certificate, recreational pilot certificate, private pilot certificate, or associated ratings under this part;
- (2) Ground training required for a sport pilot, recreational pilot, and private pilot flight review; and
- (3) A recommendation for a knowledge test required for the issuance of a sport pilot certificate, recreational pilot certificate, or private pilot certificate under this part.
- (b) A person who holds an advanced ground instructor rating is authorized to provide:
- (1) Ground training in the aeronautical knowledge areas required for the issuance of any certificate or rating under this part;
- (2) Ground training required for any flight review; and
- (3) A recommendation for a knowledge test required for the issuance of any certificate under this part.
- (c) A person who holds an instrument ground instructor rating is authorized to provide:
- (1) Ground training in the aeronautical knowledge areas required for the issuance of an instrument rating under this part;

- (2) Ground training required for an instrument proficiency check; and
- (3) A recommendation for a knowledge test required for the issuance of an instrument rating under this part.
- (d) A person who holds a ground instructor certificate is authorized, within the limitations of the ratings on the ground instructor certificate, to endorse the logbook or other training record of a person to whom the holder has provided the training or recommendation specified in paragraphs (a) through (c) of this section.

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§61.217 Recent experience requirements.

The holder of a ground instructor certificate may not perform the duties of a ground instructor unless, within the preceding 12 months:

- (a) The person has served for at least 3 months as a ground instructor; or
- (b) The person has received an endorsement from an authorized ground or flight instructor certifying that the person has demonstrated safisfactory proficiency in the subject areas prescribed in §61.213 (a)(3) and (a)(4), as applicable.

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Subpart J—Sport Pilots

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§61.301 What is the purpose of this subpart and to whom does it apply?

- (a) This subpart prescribes the following requirements that apply to a sport pilot certificate:
 - (1) Éligibility.
 - (2) Aeronautical knowledge.
 - (3) Flight proficiency.
 - (4) Aeronautical experience.
 - (5) Endorsements.
 - (6) Privileges and limits.
- (7) Transition provisions for registered ultralight pilots.
- (b) Other provisions of this part apply to the logging of flight time and testing.
- (c) This subpart applies to applicants for, and holders of, sport pilot certificates. It also applies to holders of recreational pilot certificates and higher, as provided in §61.303.

§61.303 If I want to operate a lightsport aircraft, what operating limits and endorsement requirements in this subpart must I comply with?

(a) Use the following table to determine what operating limits and endorsement requirements in this subpart, if any, apply to you when you operate a light-sport aircraft. The medical certificate specified in this table must be valid. If you hold a recreational pilot certificate, but not a medical certificate, you must comply with cross-country requirements in §61.101 (c), even if your flight does not exceed 50 nautical miles from your departure airport. You must also comply with requirements in other subparts of this part that apply to your certificate and the operation you conduct.

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If you hold	And you hold	Then you may operate	And
(1) A medical certificate	(i) A sport pilot certificate,	(A) Any light sport aircraft for which you hold the endorsements required for its category, class, make and model,	(1) You must hold any other endorsements required by this subpart, and comply with the limitations in § 61.315.
	(ii) At least a recreational pilot certificate with a category and class rating,	(A) Any light sport aircraft in that category and class,	(1) You do not have to hold any of the endorsements required by this subpart, nor do you have to comply with the limitations in §61.315.
	(iii) At least a recreational pilot certificate but not a rating for the category and class of light sport aircraft you operate,	(A) That light sport aircraft, only if you hold the en- dorsements required in § 61.321 for its category and class,	(1) You must comply with the limitations in §61.315, except §61.315(c)(14) and, if a private pilot or higher, §61.315(c)(7).

If you hold	And you hold	Then you may operate	And
(2) Only a U.S. driver's license	(i) A sport pilot certificate,	(A) Any light sport aircraft for which you hold the en- dorsements required for its category, class, make and model,	(1) You must hold any other endorsements required by this subpart, and comply with the limitations in § 61.315.
	(ii) At least a recreational pilot certificate with a category and class rating,	(A) Any light sport aircraft in that category and class,	(1) You do not have to hold any of the endorsements required by this subpart, but you must comply with the limitations in §61.315.
(3) Neither a medical certificate	(iii) At least a recreational pilot certificate but not a rating for the category and class of light-sport aircraft you operate, (i) A sport pilot certificate,	(A) That light sport aircraft, only if you hold the endorsements required in §61.321 for its category and class, (A) Only a light sport glider or	(1) You must comply with the limitations in §61.315, except §61.315(c)(14) and, if a private pilot or higher, §61.315(c)(7). (1) You must hold any other
nor a U.S. driver's license	(7	balloon for which you hold the endorsements required for its category, class, make and model.	endorsements required by this subpart, and comply with the limitations in § 61.315.
	(ii) At least a private pilot cer- tificate with a category and class rating for glider or balloon,	(A) Only a light sport glider or balloon in that category and class,	(1) You do not have to hold any of the endorsements required by this subpart, but you must comply with the limitations in §61.315.
	(iii) At least a private pilot cer- tificate but not a rating for glider or balloon,	(A) Only a light sport glider or balloon, if you hold the en- dorsements required in §61.321 for its category and class,	(1) You must comply with the limitations in §61.315, except §61.315(c)(14) and, if a private pilot or higher, §61.315(c)(7).

- (b) A person using a current and valid U.S. driver's license to meet the requirements of this paragraph must—
- (1) Comply with each restriction and limitation imposed by that person's U.S. driver's license and any judicial or administrative order applying to the operation of a motor vehicle;
- (2) Have been found eligible for the issuance of at least a third-class airman medical certificate at the time of his or her most recent application (if the person has applied for a medical certificate);
- (3) Not have had his or her most recently issued medical certificate (if the person has held a medical certificate) suspended or revoked or most recent Authorization for a Special Issuance of a Medical Certificate withdrawn; and
- (4) Not know or have reason to know of any medical condition that would make that person unable to operate a light-sport aircraft in a safe manner.

§61.305 What are the age and language requirements for a sport pilot certificate?

(a) To be eligible for a sport pilot certificate you must:

- (1) Be at least 17 years old (or 16 years old if you are applying to operate a glider or balloon).
- (2) Be able to read, speak, write, and understand English. If you cannot read, speak, write, and understand English because of medical reasons, the FAA may place limits on your certificate as are necessary for the safe operation of light-sport aircraft.

§61.307 What tests do I have to take to obtain a sport pilot certificate?

To obtain a sport pilot certificate, you must pass the following tests:

- (a) Knowledge test. You must pass a knowledge test on the applicable aeronautical knowledge areas listed in §61.309. Before you may take the knowledge test for a sport pilot certificate, you must receive a logbook endorsement from the authorized instructor who trained you or reviewed and evaluated your home-study course on the aeronautical knowledge areas listed in §61.309 certifying you are prepared for the test.
- (b) Practical test. You must pass a practical test on the applicable areas of operation listed in §§61.309 and

61.311. Before you may take the practical test for a sport pilot certificate, you must receive a logbook endorsement from the authorized instructor who provided you with flight training on the areas of operation specified in §§61.309 and 61.311 in preparation for the practical test. This endorsement certifies that you meet the applicable aeronautical knowledge and experience requirements and are prepared for the practical test.

§61.309 What aeronautical knowledge must I have to apply for a sport pilot certificate?

Except as specified in §61.329, to apply for a sport pilot certificate you must receive and log ground training from an authorized instructor or complete a home-study course on the following aeronautical knowledge areas:

- (a) Applicable regulations of this chapter that relate to sport pilot privileges, limits, and flight operations.
- (b) Accident reporting requirements of the National Transportation Safety Board.
- (c) Use of the applicable portions of the aeronautical information manual and FAA advisory circulars.
- (d) Use of aeronautical charts for VFR navigation using pilotage, dead reckoning, and navigation systems, as appropriate.
- (e) Recognition of critical weather situations from the ground and in flight, windshear avoidance, and the procurement and use of aeronautical weather reports and forecasts.
- (f) Safe and efficient operation of aircraft, including collision avoidance, and recognition and avoidance of wake turbulence.
- (g) Effects of density altitude on takeoff and climb performance.
- (h) Weight and balance computations.
- (i) Principles of aerodynamics, powerplants, and aircraft systems.
- (j) Stall awareness, spin entry, spins, and spin recovery techniques, as applicable.

- (k) Aeronautical decision making and risk management.
 - (l) Preflight actions that include-
- (1) How to get information on runway lengths at airports of intended use, data on takeoff and landing distances, weather reports and forecasts, and fuel requirements; and
- (2) How to plan for alternatives if the planned flight cannot be completed or if you encounter delays.

§61.311 What flight proficiency requirements must I meet to apply for a sport pilot certificate?

Except as specified in §61.329, to apply for a sport pilot certificate you must receive and log ground and flight training from an authorized instructor on the following areas of operation, as appropriate, for airplane single-engine land or sea, glider, gyroplane, airship, balloon, powered parachute land or sea, and weight-shift-control aircraft land or sea privileges:

- (a) Preflight preparation.
- (b) Preflight procedures.
- (c) Airport, seaplane base, and gliderport operations, as applicable.
- (d) Takeoffs (or launches), landings, and go-arounds.
- (e) Performance maneuvers, and for gliders, performance speeds.
- (f) Ground reference maneuvers (not applicable to gliders and balloons).
- (g) Soaring techniques (applicable only to gliders).
 - (h) Navigation.
- (i) Slow flight (not applicable to lighter-than-air aircraft and powered parachutes).
- (j) Stalls (not applicable to lighterthan-air aircraft, gyroplanes, and powered parachutes).
 - (k) Emergency operations.
 - (l) Post-flight procedures.

§61.313 What aeronautical experience must I have to apply for a sport pilot certificate?

Except as specified in §61.329, use the following table to determine the aeronautical experience you must have to apply for a sport pilot certificate:

If you are applying for a sport pilot certificate with	Then you must log at least	Which must include at least
(a) Airplane category and single-engine land or sea class privileges,	(1) 20 hours of flight time, including at least 15 hours of flight training from an authorized instructor in a single-engine airplane and at least 5 hours of solo flight training in the areas of operation listed in §61.311,	(i) 2 hours of cross-country flight training, (ii) 10 takeoffs and landings to a full stop (with each landing involving a flight in the traffic pattern) at an airport, (iii) One solo cross-country flight of at least 75 nautical miles total distance, with a full-stop landing at a minimum of two points and one segment of the flight consisting of a straight-line distance of at least 25 nautical miles between the takeoff and landing locations, and (iv) 3 hours of flight training on those areas of operation specified in §61.311 preparing for the practical test within 60 days before the date of the test.
(b) Glider category privileges, and you have not logged at least 20 hours of flight time in a heavier-than-air aircraft,	(1) 10 hours of flight time in a glider, in- cluding 10 flights in a glider receiving flight training from an authorized in- structor and at least 2 hours of solo flight training in the areas of operation listed in §61.311,	(i) Five solo launches and landings, and (ii) 3 hours of flight training on those areas of operation specified in §61.311 preparing for the practical test within 60 days before the date of the test.
(c) Glider category privileges, and you have logged 20 hours flight time in a heavier-than-air aircraft,	(1) 3 hours of flight time in a glider, in- cluding five flights in a glider while re- ceiving flight training from an author- ized instructor and at least 1 hour of solo flight training in the areas of oper- ation listed in §61.311,	(i) Three solo launches and landings, and (ii) 3 hours of flight training on those areas of operation specified in § 61.311, preparing for the practical test within 60 days before the date of the test.
(d) Rotorcraft category and gyroplane class privileges,	(1) 20 hours of flight time, including 15 hours of flight training from an authorized instructor in a gyroplane and at least 5 hours of solo flight training in the areas of operation listed in §61.311,	(i) 2 hours of cross-country flight training, (ii) 10 takeoffs and landings to a full stop (with each landing involving a flight in the traffic pattern) at an airport, (iii) One solo cross-country flight of at least 50 nautical miles total distance, with a full-stop landing at a minimum of two points, and one segment of the flight consisting of a straight-line dis- tance of at least 25 nautical miles be- tween the takeoff and landing loca- tions, and (iv) 3 hours of flight training on those areas of operation specified in §61.311 preparing for the practical test within 60 days before the date of the test.
(e) Lighter-than-air category and airship class privileges,	(1) 20 hours of flight time, including 15 hours of flight training from an author- ized instructor in an airship and at least 3 hours performing the duties of pilot in command in an airship with an authorized instructor in the areas of operation listed in §61.311,	(i) 2 hours of cross-country flight training, (ii) Three takeoffs and landings to a full stop (with each landing involving a flight in the traffic pattern) at an airport, (iii) One cross-country flight of at least 25 nautical miles between the takeoff and landing locations, and (iv) 3 hours of flight training on those areas of op- eration specified in §61.311 preparing for the practical test within 60 days be- fore the date of the test.
(f) Lighter-than-air category and balloon class privileges,	(1) 7 hours of flight time in a balloon, including three flights with an authorized instructor and one flight performing the duties of pilot in command in a balloon with an authorized instructor in the areas of operation listed in §61.311,	(i) 2 hours of cross-country flight training, and (ii) 3 hours of flight training on those areas of operation specified in § 61.311 preparing for the practical test within 60 days before the date of the test.

If you are applying for a sport pilot certificate with	Then you must log at least	Which must include at least
(g) Powered parachute category land or sea class privileges,	(1) 12 hours of flight time in a powered parachute, including 10 hours flight training and, and at least 2 hours solo flight training in the areas of operation listed in §61.311.	(i) 1 hour of cross-country flight training, (ii) 20 takeoffs and landings to a full stop in a powered parachute with each landing involving flight in the traffic pattern at an airport; (iii) 10 solo takeoffs and landings to a full stop (with each landing involving a flight in the traffic pattern) at an airport, (iv) One solo flight with a landing at a different airport and one segment of the flight consisting of a straight-line distance of at least 10 nautical miles between takeoff and landing locations, and (v) 3 hours of flight training on those areas of operation specified in §61.311 preparing for the practical test within 60 days before the date of the test.
(h) Weight-shift-control aircraft category land or sea class privileges,	(1) 20 hours of light time, including 15 hours of flight training from an authorized instructor in a weight-shift-control aircraft and at least 5 hours of solo flight training in the areas of operation listed in §61.311,	(i) 2 hours of cross-country flight training, (ii) 10 takeoffs and landings to a full stop (with each landing involving a flight in the traffic pattern) at an airport, (iii) One solo cross-country flight of at least 50 nautical miles total distance, with a full-stop landing at a minimum of two points, and one segment of the flight consisting of a straight-line dis- tance of at least 25 nautical miles be- tween takeoff and landing locations, and (iv) 3 hours of flight training on those areas of operation specified in § 61.311 preparing for the practical test within 60 days before the date of the test.

§61.315 What are the privileges and limits of my sport pilot certificate?

- (a) If you hold a sport pilot certificate you may act as pilot in command of a light-sport aircraft, except as specified in paragraph (c) of this section.
- (b) You may share the operating expenses of a flight with a passenger, provided the expenses involve only fuel, oil, airport expenses, or aircraft rental fees. You must pay at least half the operating expenses of the flight.
- (c) You may not act as pilot in command of a light-sport aircraft:
- (1) That is carrying a passenger or property for compensation or hire.
 - (2) For compensation or hire.
 - (3) In furtherance of a business.
- (4) While carrying more than one passenger.
 - (5) At night.
 - (6) In Class A airspace.
- (7) In Class B, C, and D airspace, at an airport located in Class B, C, or D airspace, and to, from, through, or at an airport having an operational control tower unless you have met the requirements specified in §61.325.

- (8) Outside the United States, unless you have prior authorization from the country in which you seek to operate. Your sport pilot certificate carries the limit "Holder does not meet ICAO requirements."
- (9) To demonstrate the aircraft in flight to a prospective buyer if you are an aircraft salesperson.
- (10) In a passenger-carrying airlift sponsored by a charitable organization.
- (11) At an altitude of more than 10,000 feet MSL.
- (12) When the flight or surface visibility is less than 3 statute miles.
- (13) Without visual reference to the surface.
- (14) If the aircraft has a $V_{\rm H}$ that exceeds 87 knots CAS, unless you have met the requirements of §61.327.
- (15) Contrary to any operating limitation placed on the airworthiness certificate of the aircraft being flown.
- (16) Contrary to any limit or endorsement on your pilot certificate, airman medical certificate, or any other limit or endorsement from an authorized instructor.

(17) Contrary to any restriction or limitation on your U.S. driver's license or any restriction or limitation imposed by judicial or administrative order when using your driver's license to satisfy a requirement of this part.

(18) While towing any object.

(19) As a pilot flight crewmember on any aircraft for which more than one pilot is required by the type certificate of the aircraft or the regulations under which the flight is conducted.

§61.317 Is my sport pilot certificate issued with aircraft category and class ratings?

Your sport pilot certificate does not list aircraft category and class ratings. When you successfully pass the practical test for a sport pilot certificate, regardless of the light-sport aircraft privileges you seek, the FAA will issue you a sport pilot certificate without any category and class ratings. The FAA will provide you with a logbook endorsement for the category, class, and make and model of aircraft in which you are authorized to act as pilot in command.

§61.319 Can I operate a make and model of aircraft other than the make and model aircraft for which I have received an endorsement?

If you hold a sport pilot certificate you may operate any make and model of light-sport aircraft in the same category and class and within the same set of aircraft as the make and model of aircraft for which you have received an endorsement.

§61.321 How do I obtain privileges to operate an additional category or class of light-sport aircraft?

If you hold a sport pilot certificate and seek to operate an additional category or class of light-sport aircraft, you must—

(a) Receive a logbook endorsement from the authorized instructor who trained you on the applicable aeronautical knowledge areas specified in §61.309 and areas of operation specified in §61.311. The endorsement certifies you have met the aeronautical knowledge and flight proficiency requirements for the additional light-sport aircraft privilege you seek;

- (b) Successfully complete a proficiency check from an authorized instructor other than the instructor who trained you on the aeronautical knowledge areas and areas of operation specified in §§61.309 and 61.311 for the additional light-sport aircraft privilege you seek;
- (c) Complete an application for those privileges on a form and in a manner acceptable to the FAA and present this application to the authorized instructor who conducted the proficiency check specified in paragraph (b) of this section: and
- (d) Receive a logbook endorsement from the instructor who conducted the proficiency check specified in paragraph (b) of this section certifying you are proficient in the applicable areas of operation and aeronautical knowledge areas, and that you are authorized for the additional category and class light-sport aircraft privilege.

§61.323 How do I obtain privileges to operate a make and model of lightsport aircraft in the same category and class within a different set of aircraft?

If you hold a sport pilot certificate and seek to operate a make and model of light-sport aircraft in the same category and class but within a different set of aircraft as the make and model of aircraft for which you have received an endorsement, you must—

- (a) Receive and log ground and flight training from an authorized instructor in a make and model of light-sport aircraft that is within the same set of aircraft as the make and model of aircraft you intend to operate;
- (b) Receive a logbook endorsement from the authorized instructor who provided you with the aircraft specific training specified in paragraph (a) of this section certifying you are proficient to operate the specific make and model of light-sport aircraft.

§61.325 How do I obtain privileges to operate a light-sport aircraft at an airport within, or in airspace within, Class B, C, and D airspace, or in other airspace with an airport having an operational control tower?

If you hold a sport pilot certificate and seek privileges to operate a lightsport aircraft in Class B, C, or D airspace, at an airport located in Class B, C, or D airspace, or to, from, through, or at an airport having an operational control tower, you must receive and log ground and flight training. The authorized instructor who provides this training must provide a logbook endorsement that certifies you are proficient in the following aeronautical knowledge areas and areas of operation:

- (a) The use of radios, communications, navigation system/facilities, and radar services.
- (b) Operations at airports with an operating control tower to include three takeoffs and landings to a full stop, with each landing involving a flight in the traffic pattern, at an airport with an operating control tower.
- (c) Applicable flight rules of part 91 of this chapter for operations in Class B, C, and D airspace and air traffic control clearances.

\$61.327 How do I obtain privileges to operate a light-sport aircraft that has a $V_{\rm H}$ greater than 87 knots CAS?

If you hold a sport pilot certificate and you seek to operate a light-sport aircraft that has a $V_{\rm H}$ greater than 87 knots CAS you must—

- (a) Receive and log ground and flight training from an authorized instructor in an aircraft that has a $V_{\rm H}$ greater than 87 knots CAS; and
- (b) Receive a logbook endorsement from the authorized instructor who provided the training specified in paragraph (a) of this section certifying that you are proficient in the operation of light-sport aircraft with a $V_{\rm H}$ greater than 87 knots CAS.

§ 61.329 Are there special provisions for obtaining a sport pilot certificate for persons who are registered ultralight pilots with an FAA-recognized ultralight organization?

(a) If you are a registered ultralight pilot with an FAA-recognized ultralight organization use the following table to determine how to obtain a sport pilot certificate.

If you are . . .

Then you must . . .

(1) A registered ultralight pilot with an FAA-recognized ultralight organization on or before September 1, 2004, and you want to apply for a sport pilot certificate

- (i) Not later than January 31, 2007—
- (A) Meet the eligibility requirements in §§ 61.305 and 61.23, but not the aeronautical knowledge requirements specified in § 61.309, the flight proficiency requirements specified in § 61.311, and the aeronautical experience requirements specified in § 61.313.
- (B) Pass the knowledge test for a sport pilot certificate specified in § 61.307 or the knowledge test for a flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating specified in § 61.405.
- (C) Pass the practical test for a sport pilot certificate specified in § 61.307,
- (D) Provide the FAA with a certified copy of your ultralight pilot records from an FAA-recognized ultralight organization, and those records must
- Document that you are a registered ultralight pilot with that FAA-recognized ultralight organization, and
- (2) Indicate that you are recognized to operate each category and class of aircraft for which you seek sport pilot privileges.
- (i) Meet the eligibility requirements in §§ 61.305 and 61.23.
- (ii) Meet the aeronautical knowledge requirements specified in §61.309, the flight proficiency requirements specified in §61.311, and aeronautical experience requirements specified in §61.313; however, you may credit your ultralight aeronautical experience in accordance with §61.52 toward the requirements in §§61.309, 61.311, and 61.313,
- (iii) Pass the knowledge and practical tests for a sport pilot certificate specified in §61.307, and
- (iv) Provide the FAA with a certified copy of your ultralight pilot records from an FAA-recognized ultralight organization, and those records must
- (A) Document that you are a registered ultralight pilot with that FAA-recognized ultralight organization, and

(2) A registered ultralight pilot with an FAA-recognized ultralight organization after September 1, 2004, and you want to apply for a sport pilot certificate

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If you are	Then you must
	(B) Indicate that you are recognized to operate the category and class of aircraft for which you seek sport pilot privileges.

(b) When you successfully pass the practical test for a sport pilot certificate, the FAA will issue you a sport pilot certificate without any category and class ratings. The FAA will provide you with a logbook endorsement for the category, class, and make and model of aircraft in which you have successfully passed the practical test and for which you are authorized to act as pilot in command. If you meet the provisions of paragraph (a)(1) of this section, the FAA will provide you with a logbook endorsement for each category, class, and make and model of aircraft listed on the ultralight pilot records you provide to the FAA.

Subpart K—Flight Instructors With a Sport Pilot Rating

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§61.401 What is the purpose of this subpart?

- (a) This part prescribes the following requirements that apply to a flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating:
 - (1) Eligibility.
 - (2) Aeronautical knowledge.
 - (3) Flight proficiency.
 - (4) Endorsements.
 - (5) Privileges and limits.
- (6) Transition provisions for registered ultralight flight instructors.
- (b) Other provisions of this part apply to the logging of flight time and testing.

§61.403 What are the age, language, and pilot certificate requirements for a flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating?

To be eligible for a flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating you must:

- (a) Be at least 18 years old.
- (b) Be able to read, speak, write, and understand English. If you cannot read, speak, write, and understand English

because of medical reasons, the FAA may place limits on your certificate as are necessary for the safe operation of light-sport aircraft.

(c) Hold at least a current and valid sport pilot certificate with category and class ratings or privileges, as applicable, that are appropriate to the flight instructor privileges sought.

§61.405 What tests do I have to take to obtain a flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating?

To obtain a flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating you must pass the following tests:

- (a) Knowledge test. Before you take a knowledge test, you must receive a logbook endorsement certifying you are prepared for the test from an authorized instructor who trained you or evaluated your home-study course on the aeronautical knowledge areas listed in §61.407. You must pass knowledge tests on—
- (1) The fundamentals of instructing listed in §61.407(a), unless you meet the requirements of §61.407(c); and
- (2) The aeronautical knowledge areas for a sport pilot certificate applicable to the aircraft category and class for which flight instructor privileges are sought.
- (b) *Practical test.* (1) Before you take the practical test, you must—
- (i) Receive a logbook endorsement from the authorized instructor who provided you with flight training on the areas of operation specified in §61.409 that apply to the category and class of aircraft privileges you seek. This endorsement certifies you meet the applicable aeronautical knowledge and experience requirements and are prepared for the practical test;
- (ii) If you are seeking privileges to provide instruction in an airplane or glider, receive a logbook endorsement from an authorized instructor indicating that you are competent and possess instructional proficiency in stall awareness, spin entry, spins, and spin recovery procedures after you have received flight training in those training areas in an airplane or glider, as appropriate, that is certificated for spins;
 - (2) You must pass a practical test-

- (i) On the areas of operation listed in §61.409 that are appropriate to the category and class of aircraft privileges you seek;
- (ii) In an aircraft representative of the category and class of aircraft for the privileges you seek;

(iii) In which you demonstrate that you are able to teach stall awareness, spin entry, spins, and spin recovery procedures if you are seeking privileges to provide instruction in an airplane or glider. If you have not failed a practical test based on deficiencies in your ability to demonstrate knowledge or skill in these areas and you provide the endorsement required by paragraph (b)(1)(ii) of this section, an examiner may accept the endorsement instead of the demonstration required by this paragraph. If you are taking a test because you previously failed a test based on not meeting the requirements of this paragraph, you must pass a practical test on stall awareness, spin entry, spins, and spin recovery instructional competency and proficiency in the applicable category and class of aircraft that is certificated for spins.

§61.407 What aeronautical knowledge must I have to apply for a flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating?

- (a) Except as specified in paragraph (c) of this section you must receive and log ground training from an authorized instructor on the fundamentals of instruction that includes:
 - (1) The learning process.
 - (2) Elements of effective teaching.
 - (3) Student evaluation and testing.
 - (4) Course development.
 - (5) Lesson planning.
 - (6) Classroom training techniques.
- (b) You must receive and log ground training from an authorized instructor on the aeronautical knowledge areas applicable to a sport pilot certificate for the aircraft category and class in which you seek flight instructor privileges.
- (c) You do not have to meet the requirements of paragraph (a) of this section if you—

- (1) Hold a flight instructor certificate or ground instructor certificate issued under this part;
- (2) Hold a current teacher's certificate issued by a State, county, city, or municipality; or
- (3) Are employed as a teacher at an accredited college or university.

§61.409 What flight proficiency requirements must I meet to apply for a flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating?

You must receive and log ground and flight training from an authorized instructor on the following areas of operation for the aircraft category and class in which you seek flight instructor privileges:

- (a) Technical subject areas.
- (b) Preflight preparation.
- (c) Preflight lesson on a maneuver to be performed in flight.
 - (d) Preflight procedures.
- (e) Airport, seaplane base, and gliderport operations, as applicable.
- (f) Takeoffs (or launches), landings, and go-arounds.
 - (g) Fundamentals of flight.
- (h) Performance maneuvers and for gliders, performance speeds.
- (i) Ground reference maneuvers (except for gliders and lighter-than-air).
 - (j) Soaring techniques.
- (k) Slow flight (not applicable to lighter-than-air and powered parachutes).
- (l) Stalls (not applicable to lighterthan-air, powered parachutes, and gyroplanes).
- (m) Spins (applicable to airplanes and gliders).
 - (n) Emergency operations.
- (o) Tumble entry and avoidance techniques (applicable to weight-shift-control aircraft).
 - (p) Post-flight procedures.

§61.411 What aeronautical experience must I have to apply for a flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating?

Use the following table to determine the experience you must have for each aircraft category and class:

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If you are applying for a flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating for	Then you must log at least	Which must include at least
(a) Airplane category and single-engine class privileges,	(1) 150 hours of flight time as a pilot,	(i) 100 hours of flight time as pilot in command in powered aircraft, (ii) 50 hours of flight time in a single-engine airplane, (iii) 25 hours of cross-country flight time, (iv) 10 hours of cross-country flight time in a single-engine airplane, and (v) 15 hours of flight time as pilot in command in a single-engine airplane that is a light-sport aircraft.
(b) Glider category privileges,	(1) 25 hours of flight time as pilot in command in a glider, 100 flights in a glider, and 15 flights as pilot in command in a glider that is a light-sport aircraft, or. (2) 100 hours in heavier-than-air aircraft, 20 flights in a glider, and 15 flights as pilot in command in a glider that is a light-sport aircraft.	
(c) Rotorcraft category and gyroplane class privileges,	(1) 125 hours of flight time as a pilot,	(i) 100 hours of flight time as pilot in command in powered aircraft, (ii) 50 hours of flight time in a gyroplane, (iii) 10 hours of cross-country flight time, (iv) 3 hours of cross-country flight time in a gyroplane, and (v) 15 hours of flight time as pilot in command in a gyroplane that is a light-sport aircraft.
(d) Lighter-than-air category and airship class privi- leges,	(1) 100 hours of flight time as a pilot,	(i) 40 hours of flight time in an airship, (ii) 20 hours of pilot in command time in an airship, (iii) 10 hours of cross-country flight time, (iv) 5 hours of cross-country flight time in an airship, and (v) 15 hours of flight time as pilot in command in an airship that is a light-sport aircraft.
(e) Lighter-than-air category and balloon class privileges,	(1) 35 hours of flight time as pilot-in-command,	(ii) 20 hours of flight time in a balloon, (ii) 10 flights in a balloon, and (iii) 5 flights as pilot in command in a balloon
(f) Weight-shift-control air- craft category privileges,	(1) 150 hours of flight time as a pilot,	that is a light-sport aircraft. (i) 100 hours of flight time as pilot in command in powered aircraft, (ii) 50 hours of flight time in a weight-shift-control aircraft, (iii) 25 hours of cross-country flight time, (iv) 10 hours of cross-country flight time in a weight-shift-control aircraft, and (v) 15 hours of flight time as pilot in command in a weight-shift-control aircraft that is a light-
(g) Powered-parachute category privileges,	(1) 100 hours of flight time as a pilot,	sport aircraft. (i) 75 hours of flight time as pilot in command in powered aircraft, (ii) 50 hours of flight time in a powered parachute, (iii) 15 hours of cross-country flight time, (iv) 5 hours of cross-country flight time in a powered parachute, and (v) 15 hours of flight time as pilot in command in a powered parachute that is a light-sport aircraft.

§61.413 What are the privileges of my flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating?

If you hold a fight flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating, you are authorized, within the limits of

your certificate and rating, to provide training and logbook endorsements

- $\hbox{(a) A student pilot seeking a sport}\\ \hbox{pilot certificate;}$
 - (b) A sport pilot certificate;

- (c) A flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating;
- (d) A powered parachute or weightshift-control aircraft rating;
 - (e) Sport pilot privileges;
- (f) A flight review or operating privilege for a sport pilot;
- (g) A practical test for a sport pilot certificate, a private pilot certificate with a powered parachute or weight-shift-control aircraft rating or a flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating;
- (h) A knowledge test for a sport pilot certificate, a private pilot certificate with a powered parachute or weight-shift-control aircraft rating or a flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating; and
- (i) A proficiency check for an additional category, class, or make and model privilege for a sport pilot certificate or a flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating.

§61.415 What are the limits of a flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating?

If you hold a flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating, you are subject to the following limits:

- (a) You may not provide ground or flight training in any aircraft for which you do not hold:
- (1) A sport pilot certificate with applicable category and class privileges and make and model privileges or a pilot certificate with the applicable category and class rating; and
- (2) Applicable category and class privileges for your flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating.
- (b) You may not provide ground or flight training for a private pilot certificate with a powered parachute or weight-shift-control aircraft rating unless you hold:
- (1) At least a private pilot certificate with the applicable category and class rating; and
- (2) Applicable category and class privileges for your flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating.
- (c) You may not conduct more than 8 hours of flight training in any 24-consecutive-hour period.
 - (d) You may not endorse a:

- (1) Student pilot's certificate or logbook for solo flight privileges, unless you have—
- (i) Given that student the flight training required for solo flight privileges required by this part; and
- (ii) Determined that the student is prepared to conduct the flight safely under known circumstances, subject to any limitations listed in the student's logbook that you consider necessary for the safety of the flight.
- (2) Student pilot's certificate and logbook for a solo cross-country flight, unless you have determined the student's flight preparation, planning, equipment, and proposed procedures are adequate for the proposed flight under the existing conditions and within any limitations listed in the logbook that you consider necessary for the safety of the flight.
- (3) Student pilot's certificate and logbook for solo flight in Class B, C, and D airspace areas, at an airport within Class B, C, or D airspace and to from, through or on an airport having an operational control tower, unless that you have—
- (i) Given that student ground and flight training in that airspace or at that airport; and
- (ii) Determined that the student is proficient to operate the aircraft safely.
- (4) Logbook of a pilot for a flight review, unless you have conducted a review of that pilot in accordance with the requirements of §61.56.
- (e) You may not provide flight training in an aircraft unless you have at least 5 hours of flight time in a make and model of light-sport aircraft within the same set of aircraft as the aircraft in which you are providing training.
- (f) You may not provide training to operate a light-sport aircraft in Class B, C, and D airspace, at an airport located in Class B, C, or D airspace, and to, from, through, or at an airport having an operational control tower, unless you have the endorsement specified in §61.325, or are otherwise authorized to conduct operations in this airspace and at these airports.
- (g) You may not provide training in a light-sport aircraft with a $V_{\rm H}$ greater than 87 knots CAS unless you have the endorsement specified in §61.327, or are

otherwise authorized to operate that light-sport aircraft.

(h) You must perform all training in an aircraft that complies with the requirements of §91.109 of this chapter.

(i) If you provide flight training for a certificate, rating or privilege, you must provide that flight training in an aircraft that meets the following:

(1) The aircraft must have at least two pilot stations and be of the same category and class appropriate to the certificate, rating or privilege sought.

(2) For single place aircraft, pre-solo flight training must be provided in an aircraft that has two pilot stations and is of the same category and class appropriate to the certificate, rating, or privilege sought.

§61.417 Will my flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating list aircraft category and class ratings?

Your flight instructor certificate does not list aircraft category and class ratings. When you successfully pass the practical test for a flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating, regardless of the light-sport aircraft privileges you seek, the FAA will issue you a flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating without any category and class ratings. The FAA will provide you with a logbook endorsement for the category and class of light-sport aircraft you are authorized to provide training in.

§61.419 How do I obtain privileges to provide training in an additional category or class of light-sport aircraft?

If you hold a flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating and seek to provide training in an additional category or class of light-sport aircraft you must—

(a) Receive a logbook endorsement from the authorized instructor who trained you on the applicable areas of operation specified in §61.409 certifying you have met the aeronautical knowledge and flight proficiency requirements for the additional category and class flight instructor privilege you seek;

(b) Successfully complete a proficiency check from an authorized instructor other than the instructor who trained you on the areas specified in

§61.409 for the additional category and class flight instructor privilege you seek;

- (c) Complete an application for those privileges on a form and in a manner acceptable to the FAA and present this application to the authorized instructor who conducted the proficiency check specified in paragraph (b) of this section; and
- (d) Receive a logbook endorsement from the instructor who conducted the proficiency check specified in paragraph (b) of this section certifying you are proficient in the areas of operation and authorized for the additional category and class flight instructor privilege.

§61.421 May I give myself an endorsement?

No. If you hold a flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating, you may not give yourself an endorsement for any certificate, privilege, rating, flight review, authorization, practical test, knowledge test, or proficiency check required by this part.

§61.423 What are the recordkeeping requirements for a flight instructor with a sport pilot rating?

- (a) As a flight instructor with a sport pilot rating you must:
- (1) Sign the logbook of each person to whom you have given flight training or ground training.
- (2) Keep a record of the name, date, and type of endorsement for:
- (i) Each person whose logbook or student pilot certificate you have endorsed for solo flight privileges.
- (ii) Each person for whom you have provided an endorsement for a knowledge test, practical test, or proficiency check, and the record must indicate the kind of test or check, and the results.
- (iii) Each person whose logbook you have endorsed as proficient to operate—
- (A) An additional category or class of light-sport aircraft;
- (B) An additional make and model of light-sport aircraft;
- (C) In Class B, C, and D airspace; at an airport located in Class B, C, or D airspace; and to, from, through, or at

an airport having an operational control tower; and

- (D) A light-sport aircraft with a $V_{\rm H}$ greater than 87 knots CAS.
- (iv) Each person whose logbook you have endorsed as proficient to provide flight training in an additional—
- (A) Category or class of light-sport aircraft; and
- (B) Make and model of light-sport aircraft.
- (b) Within 10 days after providing an endorsement for a person to operate or provide training in an additional category and class of light-sport aircraft you must—
- (1) Complete, sign, and submit to the FAA the application presented to you to obtain those privileges; and
 - (2) Retain a copy of the form.
- (c) You must keep the records listed in this section for 3 years. You may keep these records in a logbook or a separate document.

§61.425 How do I renew my flight instructor certificate?

If you hold a flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating you may renew your certificate in accordance with the provisions of §61.197.

§61.427 What must I do if my flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating expires?

You may exchange your expired flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating for a new certificate with a sport pilot rating and any other rating on that certificate by passing a practical test as prescribed in §61.405(b) or §61.183(h) for one of the ratings listed on the expired flight instructor certificate. The FAA will reinstate any privilege authorized by the expired certificate.

§61.429 May I exercise the privileges of a flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating if I hold a flight instructor certificate with another rating?

If you hold a current and valid flight instructor certificate, a commercial pilot certificate with an airship rating, or a commercial pilot certificate with a balloon rating issued under this part, and you seek to exercise the privileges of a flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating, you may do so with-

out any further showing of proficiency, subject to the following limits:

(a) You are limited to the aircraft category and class ratings listed on your flight instructor certificate, commercial pilot certificate with an airship rating, or commercial pilot certificate with a balloon rating, as appropriate, when exercising your flight instructor privileges and the privileges specified in §61.413.

(b) You must comply with the limits specified in §61.415 and the record-keeping requirements of §61.423.

(c) If you want to exercise the privileges of your flight instructor certificate, commercial pilot certificate with an airship rating, or commercial pilot certificate with a balloon rating, as appropriate, in a category, class, or make and model of light-sport aircraft for which you are not currently rated, you must meet all applicable requirements to provide training in an additional category or class of light-sport aircraft specified in §61.419.

§61.431 Are there special provisions for obtaining a flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating for persons who are registered ultralight instructors with an FAA-recognized ultralight organization?

If you are a registered ultralight instructor with an FAA-recognized ultralight organization on or before September 1, 2004, and you want to apply for a flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating, not later than January 31, 2008—

(a) You must hold either a current and valid sport pilot certificate, a current recreational pilot certificate and meet the requirements §61.101(c), or at least a current and valid private pilot certificate issued under this part.

(b) You must meet the eligibility requirements in §§61.403 and 61.23. You do not have to meet the aeronautical knowledge requirements specified in §61.407, the flight proficiency requirements specified in §61.409 and the aeronautical experience requirements specified in §61.411, except you must meet the minimum total flight time requirements in the category and class of light-sport aircraft specified in §61.411.

(c) You do not have to meet the aeronautical knowledge requirement specified in §61.407(a) if you have passed an

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FAA-recognized ultralight organization's fundamentals of instruction knowledge test.

- (d) You must submit a certified copy of your ultralight pilot records from the FAA-recognized ultralight organization. Those records must-
- (1) Document that you are a registered ultralight flight instructor with that FAA-recognized ultralight organization: and
- (2) Indicate that you are recognized to operate and provide training in the category and class of aircraft for which you seek privileges.
- (e) You must pass the knowledge test and practical test for a flight instructor certificate with a sport pilot rating applicable to the aircraft category and class for which you seek flight instructor privileges.

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Subpart A—General

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§63.1 Applicability.

This part prescribes the requirements for issuing flight engineer and flight navigator certificates and the general operating rules for holders of those certificates.

§63.2 Certification of foreign flight crewmembers other than pilots.

A person who is neither a United States citizen nor a resident alien is issued a certificate under this part (other than under §63.23 or §63.42) outside the United States only when the Administrator finds that the certificate is needed for the operation of a U.S.-registered civil aircraft.

(Secs. 313, 601, 602, Federal Aviation Act of 1958, as amended (49 U.S.C. 1354, 1421, and 1422); sec. 6(c), Department of Transportation Act (49 U.S.C. 1655(c)); Title V, Independent Offices Appropriations Act of 1952 (31 U.S.C. 483(a)); sec. 28, International Air Transportation Competition Act of 1979 (49 U.S.C. 1159(b)))

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§63.3 Certificates and ratings required.

(a) No person may act as a flight engineer of a civil aircraft of U.S. registry unless he has in his personal possession a current flight engineer cer $tificate\ with\ appropriate\ ratings\ is sued$ to him under this part and a secondclass (or higher) medical certificate issued to him under part 67 of this chapter within the preceding 12 months. However, when the aircraft is operated within a foreign country, a current flight engineer certificate issued by the country in which the aircraft is operated, with evidence of current medical qualification for that certificate, may be used. Also, in the case of a flight engineer certificate issued under §63.42, evidence of current medical qualification accepted for the issue of that certificate is used in place of a medical certificate.

(b) No person may act as a flight navigator of a civil aircraft of U.S. registry unless he has in his personal possession a current flight navigator certificate issued to him under this part and a second-class (or higher) medical certificate issued to him under part 67 of this chapter within the preceding 12 months. However, when the aircraft is operated within a foreign country, a current flight navigator certificate issued by the country in which the aircraft is operated, with evidence of current medical qualification for that certificate, may be used.

(c) Each person who holds a flight engineer or flight navigator certificate, or medical certificate, shall present either or both for inspection upon the request of the Administrator or an authorized representative of the National

Transportation Safety Board, or of any Federal, State, or local law enforcement officer.

(Secs. 3, 6, 9, 80 Stat. 931, 49 U.S.C. 1652, 1655, 1657)

[Doc. No. 1179, 27 FR 7969, Aug. 10, 1962, as amended by Amdt. 63–1, 27 FR 10410, Oct. 25, 1962; Amdt. 63–3, 30 FR 14559, Nov. 23, 1965; Amdt. 63–7, 31 FR 13523, Oct. 20, 1966; Doc. No. 8084, 32 FR 5769, Apr. 11, 1967; Amdt. 63–9, 33 FR 18613, Dec. 17, 1968; Amdt. 63–11, 35 FR 5320, Mar. 31, 1970]

§63.11 Application and issue.

- (a) An application for a certificate and appropriate class rating, or for an additional rating, under this part must be made on a form and in a manner prescribed by the Administrator. Each person who is neither a United States citizen nor a resident alien and applies for a written or practical test to be administered outside the United States for any certificate or rating issued under this part must show evidence that the fee prescribed in appendix A of part 187 of this chapter has been paid.
- (b) An applicant who meets the requirements of this part is entitled to an appropriate certificate and appropriate class ratings.
- (c) Unless authorized by the Administrator, a person whose flight engineer certificate is suspended may not apply for any rating to be added to that certificate during the period of suspension
- (d) Unless the order of revocation provides otherwise, a person whose flight engineer or flight navigator certificate is revoked may not apply for the same kind of certificate for 1 year after the date of revocation.

(Secs. 313, 601, 602, Federal Aviation Act of 1958, as amended (49 U.S.C. 1354, 1421, and 1422); sec. 6(c), Department of Transportation Act (49 U.S.C. 1655(c)); Title V, Independent Offices Appropriations Act of 1952 (31 U.S.C. 483(a)); sec. 28, International Air Transportation Competition Act of 1979 (49 U.S.C. 1159(b)))

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§63.12 Offenses involving alcohol or drugs.

(a) A conviction for the violation of any Federal or state statute relating to the growing, processing, manufacture, sale, disposition, possession, transportation, or importation of narcotic drugs, marihuana, or depressant or stimulant drugs or substances is grounds for—

(1) Denial of an application for any certificate or rating issued under this part for a period of up to 1 year after the date of final conviction; or

(2) Suspension or revocation of any certificate or rating issued under this part.

(b) The commission of an act prohibited by §91.17(a) or §91.19(a) of this chapter is grounds for—

(1) Denial of an application for a certificate or rating issued under this part for a period of up to 1 year after the date of that act; or

(2) Suspension or revocation of any certificate or rating issued under this part.

[Doc. No. 21956, 50 FR 15379, Apr. 17, 1985, as amended by Amdt. 63–27, 54 FR 34330, Aug. 18, 1989]

§63.12a Refusal to submit to an alcohol test or to furnish test results.

A refusal to submit to a test to indicate the percentage by weight of alcohol in the blood, when requested by a law enforcement officer in accordance with §91.11(c) of this chapter, or a refusal to furnish or authorize the release of the test results when requested by the Administrator in accordance with §91.17 (c) or (d) of this chapter, is grounds for—

(a) Denial of an application for any certificate or rating issued under this part for a period of up to 1 year after the date of that refusal; or

(b) Suspension or revocation of any certificate or rating issued under this part.

[Docket No. 21956, 51 FR 1229, Jan. 9, 1986, as amended by Amdt. 63–27, 54 FR 34330, Aug. 18, 1980]

§63.12b Refusal to submit to a drug or alcohol test.

(a) This section applies to an employee who performs a function listed in appendix I or appendix J to part 121

of this chapter directly or by contract for a part 121 certificate holder, a part 135 certificate holder, or an operator as defined in §135.1(c) of this chapter.

(b) Refusal by the holder of a certificate issued under this part to take a drug test required under the provisions of appendix I to part 121 or an alcohol test required under the provisions of appendix J to part 121 is grounds for—

(1) Denial of an application for any certificate or rating issued under this part for a period of up to 1 year after the date of such refusal; and

(2) Suspension or revocation of any certificate or rating issued under this part.

[Amdt. 63-29, 59 FR 7389, Feb. 15, 1994]

§63.13 Temporary certificate.

A certificate effective for a period of not more than 120 days may be issued to a qualified applicant, pending review of his application and supplementary documents and the issue of the certificate for which he applied.

[Doc. No. 1179, 27 FR 7969, Aug. 10, 1962, as amended by Amdt. 63–19, 43 FR 22639, May 25, 1978]

§63.14 Security disqualification.

(a) Eligibility standard. No person is eligible to hold a certificate, rating, or authorization issued under this part when the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) has notified the FAA in writing that the person poses a security threat.

(b) Effect of the issuance by the TSA of an Initial Notification of Threat Assessment. (1) The FAA will hold in abeyance pending the outcome of the TSA's final threat assessment review an application for any certificate, rating, or authorization under this part by any person who has been issued an Initial Notification of Threat Assessment by the TSA.

(2) The FAA will suspend any certificate, rating, or authorization issued under this part after the TSA issues to the holder an Initial Notification of Threat Assessment.

(c) Effect of the issuance by the TSA of a Final Notification of Threat Assessment.
(1) The FAA will deny an application for any certificate, rating, or authorization under this part to any person

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who has been issued a Final Notification of Threat Assessment.

(2) The FAA will revoke any certificate, rating, or authorization issued under this part after the TSA has issued to the holder a Final Notification of Threat Assessment.

[Doc. No. FAA-2003-14293, 68 FR 3774, Jan. 24, 2003]

§63.15 Duration of certificates.

- (a) Except as provided in §63.23 and paragraph (b) of this section, a certificate or rating issued under this part is effective until it is surrendered, suspended, or revoked.
- (b) A flight engineer certificate (with any amendment thereto) issued under §63.42 expires at the end of the 24th month after the month in which the certificate was issued or renewed. However, the holder may exercise the privileges of that certificate only while the foreign flight engineer license on which that certificate is based is effective.
- (c) Any certificate issued under this part ceases to be effective if it is surrendered, suspended, or revoked. The holder of any certificate issued under this part that is suspended or revoked shall, upon the Administrator's request, return it to the Administrator.

(Sec. 6, 80 Stat. 937, 49 U.S.C. 1655; secs. 313, 601, 602, Federal Aviation Act of 1958, as amended (49 U.S.C. 1354, 1421, and 1422); sec. 6(c), Department of Transportation Act (49 U.S.C. 1655(c)); Title V, Independent Offices Appropriations Act of 1952 (31 U.S.C. 483(a)); sec. 28, International Air Transportation Competition Act of 1979 (49 U.S.C. 1159(b)))

[Doc. No. 8846, 33 FR 18613, Dec. 17, 1968, as amended by Amdt. 63-22, 47 FR 35693, Aug. 16, 1982]

§63.15a [Reserved]

§63.16 Change of name; replacement of lost or destroyed certificate.

- (a) An application for a change of name on a certificate issued under this part must be accompanied by the applicant's current certificate and the marriage license, court order, or other document verifying the change. The documents are returned to the applicant after inspection.
- (b) An application for a replacement of a lost or destroyed certificate is made by letter to the Department of

Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration, Airman Certification Branch, Post Office Box 25082, Oklahoma City, OK 73125. The letter must—

- (1) Contain the name in which the certificate was issued, the permanent mailing address (including zip code), social security number (if any), and date and place of birth of the certificate holder, and any available information regarding the grade, number, and date of issue of the certificate, and the ratings on it; and
- (2) Be accompanied by a check or money order for \$2, payable to the Federal Aviation Administration.
- (c) An application for a replacement of a lost or destroyed medical certificate is made by letter to the Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration, Civil Aeromedical Institute, Aeromedical Certification Branch, Post Office Box 25082, Oklahoma City, OK 73125, accompanied by a check or money order for \$2.00.
- (d) A person whose certificate issued under this part or medical certificate, or both, has been lost may obtain a telegram from the Federal Aviation Administration confirming that it was issued. The telegram may be carried as a certificate for a period not to exceed 60 days pending his receiving a duplicate under paragraph (b) or (c) of this section, unless he has been notified that the certificate has been suspended or revoked. The request for such a telegram may be made by prepaid telegram, stating the date upon which a duplicate certificate was requested, or including the request for a duplicate and a money order for the necessary amount. The request for a telegraphic certificate should be sent to the office prescribed in paragraph (b) or (c) of this section, as appropriate. However, a request for both at the same time should be sent to the office prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section.

[Doc. No. 7258, 31 FR 13523, Oct. 20, 1966, as amended by Doc. No. 8084, 32 FR 5769, Apr. 11, 1967; Amdt. 63–12, 35 FR 14075, Sept. 4, 1970; Amdt. 63–13, 36 FR 28654, Feb. 11, 1971]

§63.17 Tests: General procedure.

(a) Tests prescribed by or under this part are given at times and places, and by persons, designated by the Administrator.

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(b) The minimum passing grade for each test is 70 percent.

§63.18 Written tests: Cheating or other unauthorized conduct.

- (a) Except as authorized by the Administrator, no person may—
- (1) Copy, or intentionally remove, a written test under this part;
- (2) Give to another, or receive from another, any part or copy of that test;
- (3) Give help on that test to, or receive help on that test from, any person during the period that test is being given.
- (4) Take any part of that test in behalf of another person;
- (5) Use any material or aid during the period that test is being given; or
- (6) Intentionally cause, assist, or participate in any act prohibited by this paragraph.
- (b) No person who commits an act prohibited by paragraph (a) of this section is eligible for any airman or ground instructor certificate or rating under this chapter for a period of 1 year after the date of that act. In addition, the commission of that act is a basis for suspending or revoking any airman or ground instructor certificate or rating held by that person.

[Doc. No. 4086, 30 FR 2196, Feb. 18, 1965]

§63.19 Operations during physical deficiency.

No person may serve as a flight engineer or flight navigator during a period of known physical deficiency, or increase in physical deficiency, that would make him unable to meet the physical requirements for his current medical certificate.

§ 63.20 Applications, certificates, logbooks, reports, and records; falsification, reproduction, or alteration.

- (a) No person may make or cause to be made—
- (1) Any fraudulent or intentionally false statement on any application for a certificate or rating under this part;
- (2) Any fraudulent or intentionally false entry in any logbook, record, or report that is required to be kept, made, or used, to show compliance with any requirement for any certificate or rating under this part;

(3) Any reproduction, for fraudulent purpose, of any certificate or rating under this part; or

(4) Any alteration of any certificate

or rating under this part.

(b) The commission by any person of an act prohibited under paragraph (a) of this section is a basis for suspending or revoking any airman or ground instructor certificate or rating held by that person.

[Doc. No. 4086, 30 FR 2196, Feb. 18, 1965]

§63.21 Change of address.

Within 30 days after any change in his permanent mailing address, the holder of a certificate issued under this part shall notify the Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration, Airman Certification Branch, Post Office Box 25082, Oklahoma City, OK 73125, in writing, of his new address.

[Doc. No. 10536, 35 FR 14075, Sept. 4, 1970]

§63.23 Special purpose flight engineer and flight navigator certificates: Operation of U.S.-registered civil airplanes leased by a person not a U.S. citizen.

(a) General. The holder of a current foreign flight engineer or flight navigator certificate, license, or authorization issued by a foreign contracting State to the Convention on International Civil Aviation, who meets the requirements of this section, may hold a special purpose flight engineer or flight navigator certificate, as appropriate, authorizing the holder to perform flight engineer or flight navigator duties on a civil airplane of U.S. registry, leased to a person not a citizen of the United States, carrying persons or property for compensation or hire. Special purpose flight engineer and flight navigator certificates are issued under this section only for airplane types that can have a maximum passenger seating configuration, excluding any flight crewmember seat, of more than 30 seats or a maximum payload capacity (as defined in §135.2(e) of this chapter) of more than 7,500 pounds.

(b) *Eligibility*. To be eligible for the issuance, or renewal, of a certificate under this section, an applicant must present the following to the Administrator:

- (1) A current foreign flight engineer or flight navigator certificate, license, or authorization issued by the aeronautical authority of a foreign contracting State to the Convention on International Civil Aviation or a facsimile acceptable to the Administrator. The certificate or license must authorize the applicant to perform the flight engineer or flight navigator duties to be authorized by a certificate issued under this section on the same airplane type as the leased airplane.
- (2) A current certification by the lessee of the airplane—
- (i) Stating that the applicant is employed by the lessee;
- (ii) Specifying the airplane type on which the applicant will perform flight engineer or flight navigator duties; and
- (iii) Stating that the applicant has received ground and flight instruction which qualifies the applicant to perform the duties to be assigned on the airplane.
- (3) Documentation showing that the applicant currently meets the medical standards for the foreign flight engineer or flight navigator certificate, license, or authorization required by paragraph (b)(1) of this section, except that a U.S. medical certificate issued under part 67 of this chapter is not evidence that the applicant meets those standards unless the State which issued the applicant's foreign flight engineer or flight navigator certificate, license, or authorization accepts a U.S. medical certificate as evidence of medical fitness for a flight engineer or flight navigator certificate, license, or authorization.
- (c) Privileges. The holder of a special purpose flight engineer or flight navigator certificate issued under this section may exercise the same privileges as those shown on the certificate, license, or authorization specified in paragraph (b)(1) of this section, subject to the limitations specified in this section
- (d) *Limitations.* Each certificate issued under this section is subject to the following limitations:
 - (1) It is valid only-
- (i) For flights between foreign countries and for flights in foreign air commerce;

- (ii) While it and the certificate, license, or authorization required by paragraph (b)(1) of this section are in the certificate holder's personal possession and are current:
- (iii) While the certificate holder is employed by the person to whom the airplane described in the certification required by paragraph (b)(2) of this section is leased:
- (iv) While the certificate holder is performing flight engineer or flight navigator duties on the U.S.-registered civil airplane described in the certification required by paragraph (b)(2) of this section; and
- (v) While the medical documentation required by paragraph (b)(3) of this section is in the certificate holder's personal possession and is currently valid.
- (2) Each certificate issued under this section contains the following:
- (i) The name of the person to whom the U.S.-registered civil airplane is leased.
 - (ii) The type of airplane.
- (iii) The limitation: "Issued under, and subject to, §63.23 of the Federal Aviation Regulations."
- (iv) The limitation: "Subject to the privileges and limitations shown on the holder's foreign flight (engineer or navigator) certificate, license, or authorization."
- (3) Any additional limitations placed on the certificate which the Administrator considers necessary.
- (e) Termination. Each special purpose flight engineer or flight navigator certificate issued under this section terminates—
- (1) When the lease agreement for the airplane described in the certification required by paragraph (b)(2) of this section terminates;
- (2) When the foreign flight engineer or flight navigator certificate, license, or authorization, or the medical documentation required by paragraph (b) of this section is suspended, revoked, or no longer valid; or
- (3) After 24 months after the month in which the special purpose flight engineer or flight navigator certificate was issued.
- (f) Surrender of certificate. The certificate holder shall surrender the special purpose flight engineer or flight navigator certificate to the Administrator

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within 7 days after the date it terminates.

(g) Renewal. The certificate holder may have the certificate renewed by complying with the requirements of paragraph (b) of this section at the time of application for renewal.

(Secs. 313(a), 601, and 602, Federal Aviation Act of 1958; as amended (49 U.S.C. 1354(a), 1421, and 1422); sec. 6(c), Department of Transportation Act (49 U.S.C. 1655(c)))

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Subpart B—Flight Engineers

AUTHORITY: Secs. 313(a), 601, and 602, Federal Aviation Act of 1958; 49 U.S.C. 1354, 1421, 1422.

SOURCE: Docket No. 6458, 30 FR 14559, Nov. 23, 1965, unless otherwise noted.

§63.31 Eligibility requirements; general.

To be eligible for a flight engineer certificate, a person must—

(a) Be at least 21 years of age;

(b) Be able to read, speak, and understand the English language, or have an appropriate limitation placed on his flight engineer certificate;

(c) Hold at least a second-class medical certificate issued under part 67 of this chapter within the 12 months before the date he applies, or other evidence of medical qualification accepted for the issue of a flight engineer certificate under \$63.42; and

(d) Comply with the requirements of this subpart that apply to the rating he seeks.

(Sec. 6, 80 Stat. 937, 49 U.S.C. 1655)

[Doc. No. 6458, 30 FR 14559, Nov. 23, 1965, as amended by Amdt. 63-9, 33 FR 18614, Dec. 17, 1968]

§63.33 Aircraft ratings.

- (a) The aircraft class ratings to be placed on flight engineer certificates are—
 - (1) Reciprocating engine powered;
 - (2) Turbopropeller powered; and
 - (3) Turbojet powered.
- (b) To be eligible for an additional aircraft class rating after his flight engineer certificate with a class rating is issued to him, an applicant must pass the written test that is appropriate to

the class of airplane for which an additional rating is sought, and—

- (1) Pass the flight test for that class of aircraft; or
- (2) Satisfactorily complete an approved flight engineer training program that is appropriate to the additional class rating sought.

§63.35 Knowledge requirements.

- (a) An applicant for a flight engineer certificate must pass a written test on the following:
- (1) The regulations of this chapter that apply to the duties of a flight engineer.
- (2) The theory of flight and aerodynamics.
- (3) Basic meteorology with respect to engine operations.
 - (4) Center of gravity computations.
- (b) An applicant for the original or additional issue of a flight engineer class rating must pass a written test for that airplane class on the following:
 - (1) Preflight.
 - (2) Airplane equipment.
 - (3) Airplane systems.
 - (4) Airplane loading.
- (5) Airplane procedures and engine operations with respect to limitations.
- (6) Normal operating procedures.
- (7) Emergency procedures.

(8) Mathematical computation of engine operations and fuel consumption.

(c) Before taking the written tests prescribed in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, an applicant for a flight engineer certificate must present satisfactory evidence of having completed one of the experience requirements of §63.37. However, he may take the written tests before acquiring the flight training required by §63.37.

(d) An applicant for a flight engineer certificate or rating must have passed the written tests required by paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section since the beginning of the 24th calendar month before the month in which the flight is taken. However, this limitation does not apply to an applicant for a flight engineer certificate or rating if—

(1) The applicant—

(i) Within the period ending 24 calendar months after the month in which the applicant passed the written test, is employed as a flight crewmember or

mechanic by a U.S. air carrier or commercial operator operating either under part 121 or as a commuter air carrier under part 135 (as defined in part 298 of this title) and is employed by such a certificate holder at the time of the flight test;

(ii) If employed as a flight crewmember, has completed initial training, and, if appropriate, transition or upgrade training; and

(iii) Meets the recurrent training requirements of the applicable part or, for mechanics, meets the recency of experience requirements of part 65; or

- (2) Within the period ending 24 calendar months after the month in which the applicant passed the written test, the applicant participated in a flight engineer or maintenance training program of a U.S. scheduled military air transportation service and is currently participating in that program.
- (e) An air carrier or commercial operator with an approved training program under part 121 of this chapter may, when authorized by the Administrator, provide as part of that program a written test that it may administer to satisfy the test required for an additional rating under paragraph (b) of this section.

(Sec. 6, 80 Stat. 937, 49 U.S.C. 1655; secs. 313(a), 601 through 605 of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958 (49 U.S.C. 1354(a), 1421 through 1425); sec. 6(c), Department of Transportation Act (49 U.S.C. 1655(c)); and 14 CFR 11.49)

[Doc. No. 1179, 27 FR 7969, Aug. 10, 1962, as amended by Amdt. 63–17, 40 FR 32830, Aug. 5, 1975; Doc. 63–21, 47 FR 13316, Mar. 29, 1982]

§63.37 Aeronautical experience requirements.

- (a) Except as otherwise specified therein, the flight time used to satisfy the aeronautical experience requirements of paragraph (b) of this section must have been obtained on an airplane—
- (1) On which a flight engineer is required by this chapter; or
- (2) That has at least three engines that are rated at least 800 horsepower each or the equivalent in turbine-powered engines.
- (b) An applicant for a flight engineer certificate with a class rating must present, for the class rating sought,

satisfactory evidence of one of the following:

- (1) At least 3 years of diversified practical experience in aircraft and aircraft engine maintenance (of which at least 1 year was in maintaining multiengine aircraft with engines rated at least 800 horsepower each, or the equivalent in turbine engine powered aircraft), and at least 5 hours of flight training in the duties of a flight engineer.
- (2) Graduation from at least a 2-year specialized aeronautical training course in maintaining aircraft and aircraft engines (of which at least 6 calendar months were in maintaining multiengine aircraft with engines rated at least 800 horsepower each or the equivalent in turbine engine powered aircraft), and at least 5 hours of flight training in the duties of a flight engineer.
- (3) A degree in aeronautical, electrical, or mechanical engineering from a recognized college, university, or engineering school; at least 6 calendar months of practical experience in maintaining multiengine aircraft with engines rated at least 800 horsepower each, or the equivalent in turbine engine powered aircraft; and at least 5 hours of flight training in the duties of a flight engineer.
- (4) At least a commercial pilot certificate with an instrument rating and at least 5 hours of flight training in the duties of a flight engineer.
- (5) At least 200 hours of flight time in a transport category airplane (or in a military airplane with at least two engines and at least equivalent weight and horsepower) as pilot in command or second in command performing the functions of a pilot in command under the supervision of a pilot in command.
- (6) At least 100 hours of flight time as a flight engineer.
- (7) Within the 90-day period before he applies, successful completion of an approved flight engineer ground and flight course of instruction as provided in appendix C of this part.

(Sec. 6, 80 Stat. 937, 49 U.S.C. 1655)

[Doc. No. 6458, 30 FR 14559, Nov. 23, 1965, as amended by Amdt. 63–5, 31 FR 9047, July 1, 1966; Amdt. 63–17, 40 FR 32830, Aug. 5, 1975]

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§63.39 Skill requirements.

(a) An applicant for a flight engineer certificate with a class rating must pass a practical test on the duties of a flight engineer in the class of airplane for which a rating is sought. The test may only be given on an airplane specified in §63.37(a).

(b) The applicant must-

(1) Show that he can satisfactorily perform preflight inspection, servicing, starting, pretakeoff, and postlanding procedures;

(2) In flight, show that he can satisfactorily perform the normal duties and procedures relating to the airplane, airplane engines, propellers (if appropriate), systems, and appliances; and

(3) In flight, in an airplane simulator, or in an approved flight engineer training device, show that he can satisfactorily perform emergency duties and procedures and recognize and take appropriate action for malfunctions of the airplane, engines, propellers (if appropriate), systems and appliances.

§63.41 Retesting after failure.

An applicant for a flight engineer certificate who fails a written test or practical test for that certificate may apply for retesting—

(a) After 30 days after the date he failed that test; or

(b) After he has received additional practice or instruction (flight, synthetic trainer, or ground training, or any combination thereof) that is necessary, in the opinion of the Administrator or the applicant's instructor (if the Administrator has authorized him to determine the additional instruction necessary) to prepare the applicant for retesting.

§63.42 Flight engineer certificate issued on basis of a foreign flight engineer license.

(a) Certificates issued. The holder of a current foreign flight engineer license issued by a contracting State to the Convention on International Civil Aviation, who meets the requirements of this section, may have a flight engineer certificate issued to him for the operation of civil aircraft of U.S. registry. Each flight engineer certificate issued under this section specifies the

number and State of issuance of the foreign flight engineer license on which it is based. If the holder of the certificate cannot read, speak, or understand the English language, the Administrator may place any limitation on the certificate that he considers necessary for safety.

(b) Medical standards and certification. An applicant must submit evidence that he currently meets the medical standards for the foreign flight engineer license on which the application for a certificate under this section is based. A current medical certificate issued under part 67 of this chapter will be excepted as evidence that the applicant meets those standards. However, a medical certificate issued under part 67 of this chapter is not evidence that the applicant meets those standards outside the United States unless the State that issued the applicant's foreign flight engineer license also accepts that medical certificate as evidence of the applicant's physical fitness for his foreign flight engineer license.

(c) Ratings issued. Aircraft class ratings listed on the applicant's foreign flight engineer license, in addition to any issued to him after testing under the provisions of this part, are placed on the applicant's flight engineer certificate. An applicant without an aircraft class rating on his foreign flight engineer license may be issued a class rating if he shows that he currently meets the requirements for exercising the privileges of his foreign flight engineer license on that class of aircraft.

(d) Privileges and limitations. The holder of a flight engineer certificate issued under this section may act as a flight engineer of a civil aircraft of U.S. registry subject to the limitations of this part and any additional limitations placed on his certificate by the Administrator. He is subject to these limitations while he is acting as a flight engineer of the aircraft within or outside the United States. However, he may not act as flight engineer or in any other capacity as a required flight crewmember, of a civil aircraft of U.S. registry that is carrying persons or property for compensation or hire.

(e) Renewal of certificate and ratings. The holder of a certificate issued under this section may have that certificate

and the ratings placed thereon renewed if, at the time of application for renewal, the foreign flight engineer license on which that certificate is based is in effect. Application for the renewal of the certificate and ratings thereon must be made before the expiration of the certificate.

(Sec. 6, 80 Stat. 937, 49 U.S.C. 1655)

[Doc. No. 8846, 33 FR 18614, Dec. 17, 1968, as amended by Amdt. 63-20, 45 FR 5673, Jan. 24, 1980]

§63.43 Flight engineer courses.

An applicant for approval of a flight engineer course must submit a letter to the Administrator requesting approval, and must also submit three copies of each course outline, a description of the facilities and equipment, and a list of the instructors and their qualifications. An air carrier or commercial operator with an approved flight engineer training course under part 121 of this chapter may apply for approval of a training course under this part by letter without submitting the additional information required by this paragraph. Minimum requirements for obtaining approval of a flight engineer course are set forth in appendix C of this part.

Subpart C—Flight Navigators

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SOURCE: Docket No. 1179, 27 FR 7970, Aug. 10, 1962, unless otherwise noted.

§ 63.51 Eligibility requirements; general

To be eligible for a flight navigator certificate, a person must—

(a) Be at least 21 years of age;

(b) Be able to read, write, speak, and understand the English language;

(c) Hold at least a second-class medical certificate issued under part 67 of this chapter within the 12 months before the date he applies; and

(d) Comply with §§ 63.53, 63.55, and 63.57.

§63.53 Knowledge requirements.

(a) An applicant for a flight navigator certificate must pass a written test on—

- (1) The regulations of this chapter that apply to the duties of a flight navigator;
- (2) The fundamentals of flight navigation, including flight planning and cruise control;
- (3) Practical meteorology, including analysis of weather maps, weather reports, and weather forecasts; and weather sequence abbreviations, symbols, and nomenclature;
- (4) The types of air navigation facilities and procedures in general use;
- (5) Calibrating and using air navigation instruments;
 - (6) Navigation by dead reckoning;
 - (7) Navigation by celestial means;
 - (8) Navigation by radio aids;
 - (9) Pilotage and map reading; and
- (10) Interpretation of navigation aid identification signals.
- (b) A report of the test is mailed to the applicant. A passing grade is evidence, for a period of 24 months after the test, that the applicant has complied with this section.

[Doc. No. 1179, 27 FR 7970, Aug. 10 1962, as amended by Amdt. 63–19, 43 FR 22639, May 25, 1978]

§63.55 Experience requirements.

- (a) An applicant for a flight navigator certificate must be a graduate of a flight navigator course approved by the Administrator or present satisfactory documentary evidence of—
- (1) Satisfactory determination of his position in flight at least 25 times by night by celestial observations and at least 25 times by day by celestial observations in conjunction with other aids; and
- (2) At least 200 hours of satisfactory flight navigation including celestial and radio navigation and dead reckoning.

A pilot who has logged 500 hours of cross-country flight time, of which at least 100 hours were at night, may be credited with not more than 100 hours for the purposes of paragraph (a)(2) of this section.

(b) Flight time used exclusively for practicing long-range navigation methods, with emphasis on celestial navigation and dead reckoning, is considered to be satisfactory navigation experience for the purposes of paragraph (a)

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of this section. It must be substantiated by a logbook, by records of an armed force or a certificated air carrier, or by a letter signed by a certificated flight navigator and attached to the application.

§63.57 Skill requirements.

- (a) An applicant for a flight navigator certificate must pass a practical test in navigating aircraft by—
 - (1) Dead reckoning;
 - (2) Celestial means; and
 - (3) Radio aids to navigation.
- (b) An applicant must pass the written test prescribed by §63.53 before taking the test under this section. However, if a delay in taking the test under this section would inconvenience the applicant or an air carrier, he may take it before he receives the result of the written test, or after he has failed the written test.
- (c) The test requirements for this section are set forth in appendix A of this part.

[Doc. No. 1179, 27 FR 7970, Aug. 10, 1962, as amended by Amdt. 63–19, 43 FR 22639, May 25, 1978]

§63.59 Retesting after failure.

- (a) An applicant for a flight navigator certificate who fails a written or practical test for that certificate may apply for retesting—
- (1) After 30 days after the date he failed that test; or
- (2) Before the 30 days have expired if the applicant presents a signed statement from a certificated flight navigator, certificated ground instructor, or any other qualified person approved by the Administrator, certifying that that person has given the applicant additional instruction in each of the subjects failed and that person considers the applicant ready for retesting.
- (b) A statement from a certificated flight navigator, or from an operations official of an approved navigator course, is acceptable, for the purposes of paragraph (a)(2) of this section, for the written test and for the flight test. A statement from a person approved by the Administrator is acceptable for the written tests. A statement from a supervising or check navigator with the United States Armed Forces is accept-

able for the written test and for the practical test.

(c) If the applicant failed the flight test, the additional instruction must have been administered in flight.

[Doc. No. 1179, 27 FR 7970, Aug. 10, 1962, as amended by Amdt. 63–19, 43 FR 22640, May 25, 1978]

§63.61 Flight navigator courses.

An applicant for approval of a flight navigator course must submit a letter to the Administrator requesting approval, and must also submit three copies of the course outline, a description of his facilities and equipment, and a list of the instructors and their qualifications. Requirements for the course are set forth in appendix B to this part.

APPENDIX A TO PART 63—TEST REQUIRE-MENTS FOR FLIGHT NAVIGATOR CER-TIFICATE

- (a) *Demonstration of skill.* An applicant will be required to pass practical tests on the prescribed subjects. These tests may be given by FAA inspectors and designated flight navigator examiners.
- (b) The examination. The practical examination consists of a ground test and a flight test as itemized on the examination check sheet. Each item must be completed satisfactorily in order for the applicant to obtain a passing grade. Items 5, 6, 7 of the ground test may be completed orally, and items 17, 22, 23, 34, 36, 37, 38, and 39 of the flight test may be completed by an oral examination when a lack of ground facilities or navigation equipment makes such procedure necessary. In these cases a notation to that effect shall be made in the "Remarks" space on the check sheet.
- (c) Examination procedure. (1) An applicant will provide an aircraft in which celestial observations can be taken in all directions. Minimum equipment shall include a table for plotting, a drift meter or absolute altimeter, an instrument for taking visual bearings, and a radio direction finder.
- (2) More than one flight may be used to complete the flight test and any type of flight pattern may be used. The test will be conducted chiefly over water whenever practicable, and without regard to radio range legs or radials. If the test is conducted chiefly over land, a chart should be used which shows very little or no topographical and aeronautical data. The total flight time will cover a period of at least four hours. Only one applicant may be examined at one time, and no applicant may perform other than navigator duties during the examination.

- (3) When the test is conducted with an aircraft belonging to an air carrier, the navigation procedures should conform with those set forth in the carrier's operations manual. Items of the flight test which are not performed during the routine navigation of the flight will be completed by oral examination after the flight or at times during flight which the applicant indicates may be used for tests on those items. Since in-flight weather conditions, the reliability of the weather forecast, and the stability of the aircraft will have considerable effect on an applicant's performance, good judgment must be used by the agent or examiner in evaluating the tests.
- (d) *Ground test.* For the ground test, in the order of the numbered items on the examination check sheet, an applicant will be required to:
- (1) Identify without a star identifier, at least six navigational stars and all planets available for navigation at the time of the examination and explain the method of identification.
- (2) Identify two additional stars with a star identifier or sky diagrams and explain identification procedure.
- (3) Precompute a time-altitude curve for a period of about 20 minutes and take 10 single observations of a celestial body which is rising or setting rapidly. The intervals between observations should be at least one minute. Mark each observation on the graph to show accuracy. All observations, after corrections, shall plot within 8 minutes of arc from the time-altitude curve, and the average error shall not exceed 5 minutes of arc.
- (4) Take and plot one 3-star fix and 3 LOP's of the sun. Plotted fix or an average of LOP's must fall within 5 miles of the actual position of the observer.
- (5) Demonstrate or explain the compensation and swinging of a liquid-type magnetic compass.
- (6) Demonstrate or explain a method of aligning one type of drift meter.
- (7) Demonstrate or explain a method of aligning an astro-compass or periscopic sextant.
- (e) Flight test. For the flight test, in the order of the numbered items on the examination check sheet, an applicant will be required to:
- (1) Demonstrate his ability to read weather symbols and interpret synoptic surface and upper air weather maps with particular emphasis being placed on winds.
- (2) Prepare a flight plan by zones from the forecast winds or pressure data of an upper air chart and the operator's data.
- (3) Compute from the operator's data the predicted fuel consumption for each zone of the flight, including the alternate.
- (4) Determine the point-of-no-return for the flight with all engines running and the equitime point with one engine inoperative.

- Graphical methods which are part of the company's operations manual may be used for these computations.
- (5) Prepare a cruise control (howgozit) chart from the operator's data.
- (6) Enter actual fuel consumed on the cruise control chart and interpret the variations of the actual curve from the predicted curve
- (7) Check the presence on board and operating condition of all navigation equipment. Normally a check list will be used. This check will include a time tick or chronometer comparison. Any lack of thoroughness during this check will justify this item being graded unsatisfactory.
- (8) Locate emergency equipment, such as, the nearest fire extinguisher, life preserver, life rafts, exits, axe, first aid kits, etc.
- (9) Recite the navigator's duties and stations during emergencies for the type of aircraft used for the test.
- (10) Demonstrate the proper use of a flux gate compass or gyrosyn compass (when available), with special emphasis on the caging methods and the location of switches, circuit breakers, and fuses. If these compasses are not part of the aircraft's equipment, an oral examination will be given.
- (11) Be accurate and use good judgment when setting and altering headings. Erroneous application of variation, deviation, or drift correction, or incorrect measurement of course on the chart will be graded as unsatisfactory.
- (12) Demonstrate or explain the use of characteristics of various chart projections used in long-range air navigation, including the plotting of courses and bearings, and the measuring of distances.
- (13) Demonstrate ability to identify designated landmarks by the use of a sectional or WAC chart.
- (14) Use a computer with facility and accuracy for the computation of winds, drift correction and drift angles, ground speeds, ETA's, fuel loads, etc.
- (15) Determine track, ground speed, and wind by the double drift method. When a drift meter is not part of the aircraft's equipment, an oral examination on the use of the drift meter and a double drift problem shall be completed.
- (16) Determine ground speed and wind by the timing method with a drift meter. When a drift meter is not part of the aircraft's equipment, an oral examination on the procedure and a problem shall be completed.
- (17) Demonstrate the use of air plot for determining wind between fixes and for plotting pressure lines of position when using pressure and absolute altimeter comparisons.
- (18) Give ETA's to well defined check points at least once each hour after the second hour of flight. The average error shall

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not be more than 5 percent of the intervening time intervals, and the maximum error of any one ETA shall not be more than 10 percent.

(19) Demonstrate knowledge and use of D/F equipment and radio facility information. Grading on this item will be based largely on the applicant's selection of those radio aids which will be of most value to his navigation, the manner with which he uses equipment, including filter box controls, and the precision with which he reads bearings. The aircraft's compass heading and all compass corrections must be considered for each bearing.

ing. (20) Use care in tuning to radio stations to insure maximum reception of signal and check for interference signals. Receiver will be checked to ascertain that antenna and BFO (Voice-CW) switches are in correct positions.

(21) Identify at least three radio stations using International Morse code only for identification. The agent or examiner will tune in these stations so that the applicant will have no knowledge of the direction, distance, or frequency of the stations.

(22) Take at least one radio bearing by manual use of the loop. The agent or examiner will check the applicant's bearing by taking a manual bearing on the same station immediately after the applicant.

(23) Show the use of good judgment in evaluating radio bearings, and explain why certain bearings may be of doubtful value.

(24) Determine and apply correctly the correction required to be made to radio bearings before plotting them on a Mercator chart, and demonstrate the ability to plot bearings accurately on charts of the Mercator and Lambert conformal projections.

(25) Compute the compass heading, ETA, and fuel remaining if it is assumed that the flight would be diverted to an alternate airport at a time specified by the agent or examiner.

(26) Check the counter scales of a Loran receiver for accuracy, and explain the basic (face) adjustments which affect tuning and counter alignment. A guide sheet may be used for this test.

(27) Demonstrate a knowledge of the basic principle of Loran and the ability to tune a Loran receiver, to match signals, to read time differences, to plot Loran LOP's, and to identify and use sky waves.

(28) Take and plot bearings from a consol station and explain the precautions which must be taken when tuning a radio receiver for consol signals. Also, discuss those conditions which affect the reliability of consol bearings.

(29) Demonstrate the ability to properly operate and read an absolute altimeter.

(30) Determine the "D" factors for a series of compared readings of an absolute altimeter and a pressure altimeter.

- (31) Determine drift angle or lateral displacement from the true headingline by application of Bellamy's formula or a variation thereof.
- (32) Interpret the altimeter comparison data with respect to the pressure system found at flight level. From this data evaluate the accuracy of the prognostic weather map used for flight planning and apply this analysis to the navigation of the flight.
- (33) Interpret single LOP's for most probable position, and show how a series of single LOP's of the same body may be used to indicate the probable track and ground speed. Also, show how a series of single LOP's (celestial or radio) from the same celestial body or radio station may be used to determine position when the change of azimuth or bearing is 30° or more between observations.
- (34) Select one of the celestial LOP's used during the flight and explain how to make a single line of position approach to a point selected by the agent or examiner, giving headings, times, and ETA's.
- (35) Demonstrate the proper use of an astro-compass or periscopic sextant for taking bearings.
- (36) Determine compass deviation as soon as possible after reaching cruising altitude and whenever there is a change of compass heading of 15° or more.
- (37) Take celestial fixes at hourly intervals when conditions permit. The accuracy of these fixes shall be checked by means of a Loran, radio, or visual fix whenever practicable. After allowing for the probable error of a Loran, radio, or visual fix, a celestial fix under favorable conditions should plot within 10 miles of the actual position.
- (38) Select celestial bodies for observation, when possible, whose azimuths will differ by approximately 120° for a 3-body fix and will differ by approximately 90° for a 2-body fix. The altitudes of the selected bodies should be between 25° and 75° whenever practicable.
- (39) Have POMAR and any other required reports ready for transmission at time of schedule, and be able to inform the pilot in command promptly with regard to the aircraft's position and progress in comparison with the flight plan.
- (40) Keep a log with sufficient legible entries to provide a record from which the flight could be retraced.
- (41) Note significant weather changes which might influence the drift or ground speed of the aircraft, such as, temperature, "D" factors, frontal conditions, turbulence, etc.
- (42) Determine the wind between fixes as a regular practice.
- (43) Estimate the time required and average ground speed during a letdown, under conditions specified by the pilot in command.

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- (44) Work with sufficient speed to determine the aircraft's position hourly by celestial means and also make all other observations and records pertinent to the navigation. The applicant should be able to take the observation, compute, and plot a celestial LOP within a time limit of 8 minutes; take and plot a Loran LOP within a time limit of 3 minutes for ground waves and 4 minutes for sky waves; observe the absolute and pressure altimeters and compute the drift or lateral displacement within a time limit of 3 minutes.
- (45) Be accurate in reading instruments and making computations. Errors which are made and corrected without affecting the navigation will be disregarded unless they cause considerable loss of time.

An uncorrected error in computation (including reading instruments and books) which will affect the reported position more than 25 miles, the heading more than 3°, or any ETA more than 15 minutes will cause this item to be graded unsatisfactory.

(46) Be alert to changing weather or other conditions during flight which might affect the navigation. An applicant should not fail to take celestial observations just prior to encountering a broken or overcast sky condition; and he should not fail to take a bearing on a radio station, which operates at scheduled intervals and which would be a valuable aid to the navigation.

(47) Show a logical choice and sequence in using the various navigation methods according to time and accuracy, and check the positions determined by one method against positions determined by other methods.

(48) Use a logical sequence in performing the various duties of a navigator and plan work according to a schedule. The more important duties should not be neglected for others of less importance.

APPENDIX B TO PART 63—FLIGHT NAVI-GATOR TRAINING COURSE REQUIRE-MENTS

- (a) Training course outline—(1) Format. The ground course outline and the flight course outline shall be combined in one looseleaf binder and shall include a table of contents, divided into two parts—ground course and flight course. Each part of the table of contents must contain a list of the major subjects, together with hours allotted to each subject and the total classroom and flight hours.
- (2) Ground course outline. (i) It is not mandatory that a course outline have the subject headings arranged exactly as listed in this paragraph. Any arrangement of general headings and subheadings will be satisfactory provided all the subject material listed here is included and the acceptable minimum number of hours is assigned to each subject. Each general subject shall be broken

down into detail showing items to be covered.

(ii) If any agency desires to include additional subjects in the ground training curriculum, such as international law, flight hygiene, or others which are not required, the hours allotted these additional subjects may not be included in the minimum classroom hours.

(iii) The following subjects with classroom hours are considered the minimum coverage for a ground training course for flight navigators:

Subject	Classroom hours
Federal Aviation Administration	5
To include Parts 63, 91, and 121 of this	
chapter.	
Meteorology	40
To include:	
Basic weather principles.	
Temperature.	
Pressure.	
Winds.	
Moisture in the atmosphere.	
Stability. Clouds.	
Hazards.	
Air masses.	
Front weather.	
Fog.	
Thunderstorms.	
Icing.	
World weather and climate.	
Weather maps and weather reports.	
Forecasting.	
International Morse code:	
Ability to receive code groups of letters and	
numerals at a speed of eight words per	
minute	
Navigation instruments (exclusive of radio and radar)	20
To include:	20
Compasses.	
Pressure altimeters.	
Airspeed indicators.	
Driftmeters.	
Bearing indicators.	
Aircraft octants.	
Instrument calibration and alignment.	
Charts and pilotage	15
To include:	
Chart projections. Chart symbols.	
Principles of pilotage.	
Dead reckoning	30
To include:	
Air plot.	
Ground plot.	
Calculation of ETA.	
Vector analysis.	
Use of computer.	
Search.	
Absolute altimeter with:	
Applications	15
To include:	
Principles of construction. Operating instructions.	
Use of Bellamy's formula.	
Flight planning with single drift correc-	
tion.	
Radio and long-range navigational aids	35

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Subject	Classroom hours
To include:	
Principles of radio transmission and re-	
ception. Radio aids to navigation.	
Government publications.	
Airborne D/F equipment.	
Errors of radio bearings.	
Quadrantal correction.	
Plotting radio bearings.	
ICAO Q code for direction finding.	
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Fuel consumption charts. Methods of cruise control.	
Flight progress chart.	
Point-of-no-return.	
Equitime point.	
Long-range flight problems	15
Total (exclusive of final examinations)	350

- (3) Flight course outline. (i) A minimum of 150 hours of supervised flight training shall be given, of which at least 50 hours of flight training must be given at night, and celestial navigation must be used during flights which total at least 125 hours.
- (ii) A maximum of 50 hours of the required flight training may be obtained in acceptable types of synthetic flight navigator training devices.
- (iii) Flights should be at least four hours in length and should be conducted off civil airways. Some training on long-range flights is desirable, but is not required. There is no limit to the number of students that may be trained on one flight, but at least one astrodrome or one periscopic sextant mounting must be provided for each group of four students.
- (iv) Training must be given in dead reckoning, pilotage, radio navigation, celestial navigation, and the use of the absolute altimeter.
- (b) Equipment. (1) Classroom equipment shall include one table at least $24'' \times 32''$ in dimensions for each student.
- (2) Aircraft suitable for the flight training must be available to the approved course operator to insure that the flight training may be completed without undue delay.

The approved course operator may contract or obtain written agreements with aircraft

operators for the use of suitable aircraft. A copy of the contract or written agreement with an aircraft operator shall be attached to each of the three copies of the course outline submitted for approval. In all cases, the approved course operator is responsible for the nature and quality of instruction given during flight.

(c) Instructors. (1) Sufficient classroom instructors must be available to prevent an excessive ratio of students to instructors. Any ratio in excess of 20 to 1 will be considered unsatisfactory.

(2) At least one ground instructor must hold a valid flight navigator certificate, and be utilized to coordinate instruction of

ground school subjects.

(3) Each instructor who conducts flight training must hold a valid flight navigator certificate.

- (d) Revision of training course. (1) Requests for revisions to course outlines, facilities, and equipment shall follow procedures for original approval of the course. Revisions should be submitted in such form that an entire page or pages of the approved outline can be removed and replaced by the revisions.
- (2) The list of instructors may be revised at any time without request for approval, provided the minimum requirement of paragraph (e) of this section is maintained.
- (e) Credit for previous training and experience. (1) Credit may be granted by an operator to students for previous training and experience which is provable and comparable to portions of the approved curriculum. When granting such credit, the approved course operator should be fully cognizant of the fact that he is responsible for the proficiency of his graduates in accordance with subdivision (i) of paragraph (3) of this section
- (2) Where advanced credit is allowed, the operator shall evaluate the student's previous training and experience in accordance with the normal practices of accredited technical schools. Before credit is given for any ground school subject or portion thereof, the student must pass an appropriate examination given by the operator. The results of the examination, the basis for credit allowance, and the hours credited shall be incorporated as a part of the student's records.
- (3) Credit up to a maximum of 50 hours toward the flight training requirement may be given to pilots who have logged at least 500 hours while a member of a flight crew which required a certificated flight navigator or the Armed Forces equivalent. A similar credit may also be given to a licensed deck officer of the Maritime Service who has served as such for at least one year on ocean-going vessels. One-half of the flight time credited under the terms of this paragraph may be applied toward the 50 hours of flight training required at night.

- (f) Students records and reports. Approval of a course shall not be continued in effect unless the course operator keeps an accurate record of each student, including a chronological log of all instruction, subjects covered and course examinations and grades, and unless he prepares and transmits to the local Flight Standards District Office not later than January 31 of each year, a report containing the following information for the previous calendar year.
- (1) The names of all students graduated, together with their school grades for ground and flight subjects.

(2) The names of all students failed or dropped, together with their school grades and reasons for dropping.

(g) Quality of instruction. Approval of a course shall not be continued in effect unless at least 80 percent of the students who apply within 90 days after graduation are able to qualify on the first attempt for certification as flight navigators.

(h) Statement of graduation. Each student who successfully completes an approved flight navigator course shall be given a statement of graduation.

- (i) Inspections. Approved course operations will be inspected by authorized representatives of the Administrator as often as deemed necessary to insure that instruction is maintained at the required standards, but the period between inspections shall not exceed 12 months.
- (j) Change of ownership, name, or location— (1) Change of ownership. Approval of a flight navigator course shall not be continued in effect after the course has changed ownership. The new owner must obtain a new approval by following the procedure prescribed for original approval.
- (2) Change in name. An approved course changed in name but not changed in ownership shall remain valid if the change is reported by the approved course operator to the local Flight Standards District Office. A letter of approval under the new name will be issued by the regional office.
- (3) Change in location. An approved course shall remain in effect even though the approved course operator changes location if the change is reported without delay by the operator to the local Flight Standards District Office, which will inspect the facilities to be used. If they are found to be adequate, a letter of approval showing the new location will be issued by the regional office.
- (k) Cancellation of approval. (1) Failure to meet or maintain any of the requirements set forth in this section for the approval or operation of an approved flight navigator course shall be considered sufficient reason for cancellation of the approval.
- (2) If an operator should desire voluntary cancellation of his approved course, he should submit the effective letter of approval and a written request for cancellation

to the Administrator through the local Flight Standards District Office.

- (l) *Duration*. The authority to operate an approved flight navigator course shall expire 24 months after the last day of the month of issuance.
- (m) Renewal. Application for renewal of authority to operate an approved flight navigator course may be made by letter to the local Flight Standards District Office at any time within 60 days before to the expiration date. Renewal of approval will depend upon the course operator meeting the current conditions for approval and having a satisfactory record as an operator.

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APPENDIX C TO PART 63—FLIGHT ENGINEER TRAINING COURSE REQUIREMENTS

- (a) Training course outline—(1) Format. The ground course outline and the flight course outline are independent. Each must be contained in a looseleaf binder to include a table of contents. If an applicant desires approval of both a ground school course and a flight school course, they must be combined in one looseleaf binder that includes a separate table of contents for each course. Separate course outlines are required for each type of airplane.
- (2) Ground course outline. (i) It is not mandatory that the subject headings be arranged exactly as listed in this paragraph. Any arrangement of subjects is satisfactory if all the subject material listed here is included and at least the minimum programmed hours are assigned to each subject. Each general subject must be broken down into detail showing the items to be covered.
- (ii) If any course operator desires to include additional subjects in the ground course curriculum, such as international law, flight hygiene, or others that are not required, the hours allotted these additional subjects may not be included in the minimum programmed classroom hours.
- (iii) The following subjects and classroom hours are the minimum programmed coverage for the initial approval of a ground training course for flight engineers. Subsequent to initial approval of a ground training course an applicant may apply to the Administrator for a reduction in the programmed hours. Approval of a reduction in the approved programmed hours is based on improved training effectiveness due to improvements in methods, training aids, quality of instruction, or any combination thereof.

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Subject	Classroom hours
Federal Aviation Regulations	10
that apply to flight engineers	
Theory of Flight and Aerodynamics	10
Airplane Familiarization	90
Specifications.	
Construction features.	
Flight controls.	
Hydraulic systems.	
Pneumatic systems.	
Electrical systems.	
Anti-icing and de-icing systems.	
Pressurization and air-conditioning sys-	
tems.	
Vacuum systems.	
Pilot static systems.	
Instrument systems.	
Fuel and oil systems.	
Emergency equipment.	4.5
Engine Familiarization	45
To include as appropriate: Specifications.	
Construction features.	
Lubrication.	
Ignition.	
Carburetor and induction, super-	
charging and fuel control systems	
Accessories.	
Propellers.	
Instrumentation.	
Emergency equipment.	
Normal Operations (Ground and Flight)	50
To include as appropriate: Servicing methods and procedures.	
Operation of all the airplane systems.	
Operation of all the engine systems.	
Loading and center of gravity computa-	
tions.	
Cruise control (normal, long range,	
maximum endurance)	
Power and fuel computation.	
Meteorology as applicable to engine	
operation	
Emergency Operations	80
To include as appropriate:	
Landing gear, brakes, flaps, speed	
brakes, and leading edge devices Pressurization and air-conditioning.	
Pressurization and air-conditioning. Portable fire extinguishers.	
Fuselage fire and smoke control.	
Loss of electrical power.	
Engine fire control.	
Engine shut-down and restart.	
Oxygen.	
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Total (exclusive of final tests)	235

The above subjects, except Theory of Flight and Aerodynamics, and Regulations must apply to the same type of airplane in which the student flight engineer is to receive flight training.
(3) Flight Course Outline. (i) The flight

training curriculum must include at least 10 hours of flight instruction in an airplane specified in §63.37(a). The flight time required for the practical test may not be credited as part of the required flight instruc-

(ii) All of the flight training must be given in the same type airplane.

(iii) As appropriate to the airplane type, the following subjects must be taught in the flight training course:

SUBJECT

NORMAL DUTIES, PROCEDURES AND OPERATIONS

To include as appropriate:

Airplane preflight.

Engine starting, power checks, pretakeoff, postlanding and shut-down procedures. Power control.

Temperature control.

Engine operation analysis.

Operation of all systems. Fuel management.

Logbook entries.

Pressurization and air conditioning.

RECOGNITION AND CORRECTION OF IN-FLIGHT MALFUNCTIONS

To include:

Analysis of abnormal engine operation.

Analysis of abnormal operation of all systems.

Corrective action.

EMERGENCY OPERATIONS IN FLIGHT

To include as appropriate:

Engine fire control Fuselage fire control.

Smoke control.

Loss of power or pressure in each system. Engine overspeed.

Fuel dumping.

Landing gear, spoilers, speed brakes, and

flap extension and retraction.

Engine shut-down and restart.

Use of oxygen.

(iv) If the Administrator finds a simulator or flight engineer training device to accurately reproduce the design, function, and control characteristics, as pertaining to the duties and responsibilities of a flight engineer on the type of airplane to be flown, the flight training time may be reduced by a ratio of 1 hour of flight time to 2 hours of airplane simulator time, or 3 hours of flight engineer training device time, as the case may be, subject to the following limitations:

(a) Except as provided in subdivision (b) of this paragraph, the required flight instruction time in an airplane may not be less than

5 hours.

(b) As to a flight engineer student holding at least a commercial pilot certificate with an instrument rating, airplane simulator or a combination of airplane simulator and flight engineer training device time may be submitted for up to all 10 hours of the required flight instruction time in an airplane. However, not more than 15 hours of flight engineer training device time may be substituted for flight instruction time.

(v) To obtain credit for flight training time, airplane simulator time, or flight engineer training device time, the student must

occupy the flight engineer station and operate the controls.

- (b) Classroom equipment. Classroom equipment should consist of systems and procedural training devices, satisfactory to the Administrator, that duplicate the operation of the systems of the airplane in which the student is to receive his flight training.
- (c) Contracts or agreements. (1) An approved flight engineer course operator may contract with other persons to obtain suitable airplanes, airplane simulators, or other training devices or equipment.
- (2) An operator who is approved to conduct both the flight engineer ground course and the flight engineer flight course may contract with others to conduct one course or the other in its entirety but may not contract with others to conduct both courses for the same airplane type.
- (3) An operator who has approval to conduct a flight engineer ground course or flight course for a type of airplane, but not both courses, may not contract with another person to conduct that course in whole or in part.
- (4) An operator who contracts with another to conduct a flight engineer course may not authorize or permit the course to be conducted in whole or in part by a third person.
- (5) In all cases, the course operator who is approved to operate the course is responsible for the nature and quality of the instruction given.
- (6) A copy of each contract authorized under this paragraph must be attached to each of the 3 copies of the course outline submitted for approval.
- (d) *Instructors.* (1) Only certificated flight engineers may give the flight instruction required by this appendix in an airplane, simulator, or flight engineer training device.
- (2) There must be a sufficient number of qualified instructors available to prevent an excess ratio of students to instructors.
- (e) Revisions. (1) Requests for revisions of the course outlines, facilities or equipment must follow the procedures for original approval of the course. Revisions must be submitted in such form that an entire page or pages of the approved outline can be removed and replaced by the revisions.
- (2) The list of instructors may be revised at any time without request for approval, if the requirements of paragraph (d) of this appendix are maintained.
- (f) Ground school credits. (1) Credit may be granted a student in the ground school course by the course operator for comparable previous training or experience that the student can show by written evidence: however, the course operator must still meet the quality of instruction as described in paragraph (h) of this appendix.
- (2) Before credit for previous training or experience may be given, the student must pass a test given by the course operator on

- the subject for which the credit is to be given. The course operator shall incorporate results of the test, the basis for credit allowance, and the hours credited as part of the student's records.
- (g) Records and reports. (1) The course operator must maintain, for at least two years after a student graduates, fails, or drops from a course, a record of the student's training, including a chronological log of the subject course, attendance examinations, and grades.
- (2) Except as provided in paragraph (3) of this section, the course operator must submit to the Administrator, not later than January 31 of each year, a report for the previous calendar year's training, to include:
- (i) Name, enrollment and graduation date of each student;
- (ii) Ground school hours and grades of each student;
- (iii) Flight, airplane simulator, flight engineer training device hours, and grades of each student; and
- (iv) Names of students failed or dropped, together with their school grades and reasons for dropping.
- (3) Upon request, the Administrator may waive the reporting requirements of paragraph (2) of this section for an approved flight engineer course that is part of an approved training course under subpart N of part 121 of this chapter.
- (h) *Quality of instruction.* (1) Approval of a ground course is discontinued whenever less than 80 percent of the students pass the FAA written test on the first attempt.
- (2) Approval of a flight course is discontinued whenever less than 80 percent of the students pass the FAA practical test on the first attempt.
- (3) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2) of this section, approval of a ground or flight course may be continued when the Administrator finds—
- (i) That the failure rate was based on less than a representative number of students; or
- (ii) That the course operator has taken satisfactory means to improve the effectiveness of the training.
- (i) *Time limitation.* Each student must apply for the written test and the flight test within 90 days after completing the ground school course.
- (j) Statement of course completion. (1) The course operator shall give to each student who successfully completes an approved flight engineer ground school training course, and passes the FAA written test, a statement of successful completion of the course that indicates the date of training, the type of airplane on which the ground course training was based, and the number of hours received in the ground school course.
- (2) The course operator shall give each student who successfully completes an approved flight engineer flight course, and passed the

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FAA practical test, a statement of successful completion of the flight course that indicates the dates of the training, the type of airplane used in the flight course, and the number of hours received in the flight course.

- (3) A course operator who is approved to conduct both the ground course and the flight course may include both courses in a single statement of course completion if the provisions of paragraphs (1) and (2) of this section are included.
- (4) The requirements of this paragraph do not apply to an air carrier or commercial operator with an approved training course under part 121 of this chapter providing the student receives a flight engineer certificate upon completion of that course.
- (k) Inspections. Each course operator shall allow the Administrator at any time or place, to make any inspection necessary to ensure that the quality and effectiveness of the instruction are maintained at the required standards.
- (1) Change of ownership, name, or location. (1) Approval of a flight engineer ground course or flight course is discontinued if the ownership of the course changes. The new owner must obtain a new approval by following the procedure prescribed for original approval.
- (2) Approval of a flight engineer ground course or flight course does not terminate upon a change in the name of the course that is reported to the Administrator within 30 days. The Administrator issues a new letter of approval, using the new name, upon receipt of notice within that time.
- (3) Approval of a flight engineer ground course or flight course does not terminate upon a change in location of the course that is reported to the Administrator within 30 days. The Administrator issues a new letter of approval, showing the new location, upon receipt of notice within that time, if he finds the new facilities to be adequate
- (m) Cancellation of approval. (1) Failure to meet or maintain any of the requirements of this appendix for the approval of a flight engineer ground course or flight course is reason for cancellation of the approval.
- (2) If a course operator desires to voluntarily terminate the course, he should notify the Administrator in writing and return the last letter of approval.
- (n) Duration. Except for a course operated as part of an approved training course under subpart N of part 121 of this chapter, the approval to operate a flight engineer ground course or flight course terminates 24 months after the last day of the month of issue.
- (o) Renewal. (1) Renewal of approval to operate a flight engineer ground course or flight course is conditioned upon the course operator's meeting the requirements of this appendix.

- (2) Application for renewal may be made to the Administrator at any time after 60 days before the termination date
- (p) Course operator approvals. An applicant for approval of a flight engineer ground course, or flight course, or both, must meet all of the requirements of this appendix concerning application, approval, and continuing approval of that course or courses.
- (q) Practical test eligibility. An applicant for a flight engineer certificate and class rating under the provisions of §63.37(b)(6) is not eligible to take the practical test unless he has successfully completed an approved flight engineer ground school course in the same type of airplane for which he has completed an approved flight engineer flight course.

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PART 65—CERTIFICATION: AIRMEN OTHER THAN FLIGHT CREW-**MEMBERS**

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SPECIAL FEDERAL AVIATION REGULATION No. 103—Process for Requesting WAIVER OF MANDATORY SEPARATION AGE FOR A FEDERAL AVIATION AD-MINISTRATION AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL SPECIALIST IN FLIGHT SERVICE STA-TIONS, ENROUTE OR TERMINAL FA-CILITIES, AND THE DAVID J. HURLEY AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL SYSTEM COM-MAND CENTER

- 1. To whom does this SFAR apply? This Special Federal Aviation Regulation (SFAR) applies to you if you are an air traffic control specialist (ATCS) employed by the FAA in flight service stations, enroute facilities, terminal facilities, or at the David J. Hurley Air Traffic Control System Command Center who wishes to obtain a waiver of the mandatory separation age as provided by 5 U.S.C. section 8335(a).
- 2. When must I file for a waiver? No earlier than the beginning of the twelfth month before, but no later than the beginning of the sixth month before, the month in which you turn 56, your official chain-of-command must receive your written request asking for a waiver of mandatory separation.

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- 3. What if I do not file a request before six months before the month in which I turn 56? If your official chain-of-command does not receive your written request for a waiver of mandatory separation before the beginning of the sixth month before the month in which you turn 56, your request will be denied.
- 4. How will the FAA determine if my request meets the filing time requirements of this SFAR?
- a. We consider your request to be filed in a timely manner under this SFAR if your official chain-of-command receives it or it is postmarked:
- i. After 12 a.m. on the first day of the twelfth month before the month in which you turn 56; and
- ii. Before 12 a.m. of the first day of the sixth month before the month in which you turn 56.
- b. If you file your request by mail and the postmark is not legible, we will consider it to comply with paragraph a.2 of this section if we receive it by 12 p.m. of the fifth day of the sixth month before the month in which you turn 56.
- c. If the last day of the time period specified in paragraph a.2 or paragraph b falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or Federal holiday, we will consider the time period to end at 12 p.m. of the next business day.
- 5. Where must I file my request for waiver and what must it include?
- a. You must file your request for waiver of mandatory separation in writing with the Air Traffic Manager in flight service stations, enroute facilities, terminal facilities, or the David J. Hurley Air Traffic Control System Command Center in which you are employed.
- b. Your request for waiver must include all of the following:
 - i. Your name.
 - ii. Your current facility.
 - iii. Your starting date at the facility.
- iv. A list of positions at the facility that you are certified in and how many hours it took to achieve certification at the facility.
 - v. Your area of specialty at the facility.
 - vi. Your shift schedule.
- vii. Your statement that you have not been involved in an operational error, operational deviation or runway incursion in the last 5 years while working a control position;
- viii. A list of all facilities where you have worked as a certified professional controller (CPC) including facility level and dates at each facility;
- ix. Evidence of your exceptional skills and experience as a controller; and
- x. Your signature.
- 6. How will my waiver request be reviewed?
- a. Upon receipt of your request for waiver, the Air Traffic Manager of your facility will make a written recommendation that the Administrator either approve or deny your request. If the manager recommends ap-

- proval of your request, he or she will certify in writing the accuracy of the information you provided as evidence of your exceptional skills and experience as a controller.
- b. The Air Traffic Manager will then forward the written recommendation with a copy of your request to the senior executive manager in the Air Traffic Manager's regional chain-of-command.
- c. The senior executive manager in the regional chain-of-command will make a written recommendation that the Administrator either approve or deny your request. If the senior executive manager recommends approval of your request, he or she will certify in writing the accuracy of the information you have provided as evidence of exceptional skills and experience.
- d. The senior executive manager in the regional chain-of-command will then forward his or her recommendation with a copy of your request to the appropriate Vice President at FAA Headquarters. Depending on the facility in which you are employed, the request will be forwarded to either the Vice President for Flight Services, the Vice President for Enroute and Oceanic Services, the Vice President for Terminal Services or the Vice President for Systems Operations. For example, if you work at a flight service station at the time that you request a waiver, the request will be forwarded to the Vice President for Flight Services.
- e. The appropriate Vice President will review your request and make a written recommendation that the Administrator either approve or deny your request, which will be forwarded to the Administrator.
- f. The Administrator will issue the final decision on your request.
- 7. If I am granted a waiver, when will it expire?
- a. Waivers will be granted for a period of one year.
- b. No later than 90-days prior to expiration of a waiver, you may request that the waiver be extended using the same process identified in section 6.
- c. If you timely request an extension of the waiver and it is denied, you will receive a 60-day advance notice of your separation date simultaneously with notification of the denial
- d. If you do not request an extension of the waiver granted, you will receive a 60-day advance notice of your separation date.
- e. Action to separate you from your covered position becomes effective on the last day of the month in which the 60-day notice expires.
- 8. Under what circumstances may my waiver be terminated?
- a. The FAA/DOT may terminate your waiver under the following circumstances:
- i. The needs of the FAA; or

- ii. If you are identified as a primary contributor to an operational error/deviation or runway incursion.
- b. If the waiver is terminated for either of the reasons identified in paragraph 1 of this section, the air traffic control specialist will receive a 60-day advance notice.
- c. Action to separate you from your covered position becomes effective on the last day of the month in which the 60-day notice expires.
- 9. Appeal of denial or termination of waiver request: The denial or termination of a waiver of mandatory separation request is neither appealable nor grievable.

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Subpart A—General

§65.1 Applicability.

This part prescribes the requirements for issuing the following certificates and associated ratings and the general operating rules for the holders of those certificates and ratings:

- (a) Air-traffic control-tower operators.
 - (b) Aircraft dispatchers.
 - (c) Mechanics.
 - (d) Repairmen.
 - (e) Parachute riggers.

§65.3 Certification of foreign airmen other than flight crewmembers.

A person who is neither a U.S. citizen nor a resident alien is issued a certificate under subpart D of this part, outside the United States, only when the Administrator finds that the certificate is needed for the operation or continued airworthiness of a U.S.-registered civil aircraft.

[Doc. 65-28, 47 FR 35693, Aug. 16, 1982]

$\S 65.11$ Application and issue.

(a) Application for a certificate and appropriate class rating, or for an additional rating, under this part must be made on a form and in a manner prescribed by the Administrator. Each person who is neither a U.S. citizen nor a resident alien and who applies for a written or practical test to be administered outside the United States or for any certificate or rating issued under this part must show evidence that the fee prescribed in appendix A of part 187 of this chapter has been paid.

- (b) An applicant who meets the requirements of this part is entitled to an appropriate certificate and rating.
- (c) Unless authorized by the Administrator, a person whose air traffic control tower operator, mechanic, or parachute rigger certificate is suspended may not apply for any rating to be added to that certificate during the period of suspension.
- (d) Unless the order of revocation provides otherwise—
- (1) A person whose air traffic control tower operator, aircraft dispatcher, or parachute rigger certificate is revoked may not apply for the same kind of certificate for 1 year after the date of revocation; and
- (2) A person whose mechanic or repairman certificate is revoked may not apply for either of those kinds of certificates for 1 year after the date of revocation.

[Doc. No. 1179, 27 FR 7973, Aug. 10, 1962, as amended by Amdt. 65–9, 31 FR 13524, Oct. 20, 1966; Amdt. 65–28, 47 FR 35693, Aug. 16, 1982]

§65.12 Offenses involving alcohol or drugs.

- (a) A conviction for the violation of any Federal or state statute relating to the growing, processing, manufacture, sale, disposition, possession, transportation, or importation of narcotic drugs, marihuana, or depressant or stimulant drugs or substances is grounds for—
- (1) Denial of an application for any certificate or rating issued under this part for a period of up to 1 year after the date of final conviction; or
- (2) Suspension or revocation of any certificate or rating issued under this part.
- (b) The commission of an act prohibited by §91.19(a) of this chapter is grounds for—
- (1) Denial of an application for a certificate or rating issued under this part for a period of up to 1 year after the date of that act; or
- (2) Suspension or revocation of any certificate or rating issued under this part.

[Doc. No. 21956, 50 FR 15379, Apr. 17, 1985, as amended by Amdt. 65-34, 54 FR 34330, Aug. 18, 1991]

§65.13 Temporary certificate.

A certificate and ratings effective for a period of not more than 120 days may be issued to a qualified applicant, pending review of his application and supplementary documents and the issue of the certificate and ratings for which he applied.

[Doc. No. 1179, 27 FR 7973, Aug. 10, 1962, as amended by Amdt. 65-23, 43 FR 22640, May 25, 1978]

§65.14 Security disqualification.

- (a) Eligibility standard. No person is eligible to hold a certificate, rating, or authorization issued under this part when the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) has notified the FAA in writing that the person poses a security threat.
- (b) Effect of the issuance by the TSA of an Initial Notification of Threat Assessment. (1) The FAA will hold in abeyance pending the outcome of the TSA's final threat assessment review an application for any certificate, rating, or authorization under this part by any person who has been issued an Initial Notification of Threat Assessment by the TSA.
- (2) The FAA will suspend any certificate, rating, or authorization issued under this part after the TSA issues to the holder an Initial Notification of Threat Assessment.
- (c) Effect of the issuance by the TSA of a Final Notification of Threat Assessment.
 (1) The FAA will deny an application for any certificate, rating, or authorization under this part to any person who has been issued a Final Notification of Threat Assessment.
- (2) The FAA will revoke any certificate, rating, or authorization issued under this part after the TSA has issued to the holder a Final Notification of Threat Assessment.

[Doc. No. FAA-2003-14293, 68 FR 3775, Jan. 24, 2003]

§65.15 Duration of certificates.

- (a) Except for repairman certificates, a certificate or rating issued under this part is effective until it is surrendered, suspended, or revoked.
- (b) Unless it is sooner surrendered, suspended, or revoked, a repairman certificate is effective until the holder

is relieved from the duties for which the holder was employed and certificated.

(c) The holder of a certificate issued under this part that is suspended, revoked, or no longer effective shall return it to the Administrator.

[Doc. No. 22052, 47 FR 35693, Aug. 16, 1982]

§65.16 Change of name: Replacement of lost or destroyed certificate.

- (a) An application for a change of name on a certificate issued under this part must be accompanied by the applicant's current certificate and the marriage license, court order, or other document verifying the change. The documents are returned to the applicant after inspection.
- (b) An application for a replacement of a lost or destroyed certificate is made by letter to the Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration, Airman Certification Branch, Post Office Box 25082, Oklahoma City, OK 73125. The letter must—
- (1) Contain the name in which the certificate was issued, the permanent mailing address (including zip code), social security number (if any), and date and place of birth of the certificate holder, and any available information regarding the grade, number, and date of issue of the certificate, and the ratings on it; and
- (2) Be accompanied by a check or money order for \$2, payable to the Federal Aviation Administration.
- (c) An application for a replacement of a lost or destroyed medical certificate is made by letter to the Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration, Civil Aeromedical Institute, Aeromedical Certification Branch, Post Office Box 25082, Oklahoma City, OK 73125, accompanied by a check or money order for \$2.00.
- (d) A person whose certificate issued under this part or medical certificate, or both, has been lost may obtain a telegram from the FAA confirming that it was issued. The telegram may be carried as a certificate for a period not to exceed 60 days pending his receiving a duplicate certificate under paragraph (b) or (c) of this section, unless he has been notified that the certificate has been suspended or revoked. The request for such a telegram may be

made by prepaid telegram, stating the date upon which a duplicate certificate was requested, or including the request for a duplicate and a money order for the necessary amount. The request for a telegraphic certificate should be sent to the office prescribed in paragraph (b) or (c) of this section, as appropriate. However, a request for both at the same time should be sent to the office prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section.

[Doc. No. 7258, 31 FR 13524, Oct. 20, 1966, as amended by Doc. No. 8084, 32 FR 5769, Apr. 11, 1967; Amdt. 65–16, 35 FR 14075, Sept. 4, 1970; Amdt. 65–17, 36 FR 2865, Feb. 11, 1971]

§65.17 Tests: General procedure.

- (a) Tests prescribed by or under this part are given at times and places, and by persons, designated by the Administrator.
- (b) The minimum passing grade for each test is $70 \ \text{percent}$.

§65.18 Written tests: Cheating or other unauthorized conduct.

- (a) Except as authorized by the Administrator, no person may—
- (1) Copy, or intentionally remove, a written test under this part;
- (2) Give to another, or receive from another, any part or copy of that test;
- (3) Give help on that test to, or receive help on that test from, any person during the period that test is being given;
- (4) Take any part of that test in behalf of another person;
- (5) Use any material or aid during the period that test is being given; or
- (6) Intentionally cause, assist, or participate in any act prohibited by this paragraph.
- (b) No person who commits an act prohibited by paragraph (a) of this section is eligible for any airman or ground instructor certificate or rating under this chapter for a period of 1 year after the date of that act. In addition, the commission of that act is a basis for suspending or revoking any airman or ground instructor certificate or rating held by that person.

[Doc. No. 4086, 30 FR 2196, Feb. 18, 1965]

§65.19 Retesting after failure.

An applicant for a written, oral, or practical test for a certificate and rat-

ing, or for an additional rating under this part, may apply for retesting—

- (a) After 30 days after the date the applicant failed the test; or
- (b) Before the 30 days have expired if the applicant presents a signed statement from an airman holding the certificate and rating sought by the applicant, certifying that the airman has given the applicant additional instruction in each of the subjects failed and that the airman considers the applicant ready for retesting.

[Doc. No. 16383, 43 FR 22640, May 25, 1978]

§65.20 Applications, certificates, logbooks, reports, and records: Falsification, reproduction, or alteration

- (a) No person may make or cause to be made—
- (1) Any fraudulent or intentionally false statement on any application for a certificate or rating under this part;
- (2) Any fraudulent or intentionally false entry in any logbook, record, or report that is required to be kept, made, or used, to show compliance with any requirement for any certificate or rating under this part;
- (3) Any reproduction, for fraudulent purpose, of any certificate or rating under this part; or
- (4) Any alteration of any certificate or rating under this part.
- (b) The commission by any person of an act prohibited under paragraph (a) of this section is a basis for suspending or revoking any airman or ground instructor certificate or rating held by that person.

[Doc. No. 4086, 30 FR 2196, Feb. 18, 1965]

§65.21 Change of address.

Within 30 days after any change in his permanent mailing address, the holder of a certificate issued under this part shall notify the Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration, Airman Certification Branch, Post Office Box 25082, Oklahoma City, OK 73125, in writing, of his new address.

[Doc. No. 10536, 35 FR 14075, Sept. 4, 1970]

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§65.23 Refusal to submit to a drug or alcohol test.

(a) General. This section applies to an employee who performs a function listed in appendix I or appendix J to part 121 of this chapter directly or by contract for a part 121 certificate holder, a part 135 certificate holder, an operator as defined in §135.1(c) of this chapter or an air traffic control facility not operated by the FAA or the U.S. military.

(b) Refusal by the holder of a certificate issued under this part to take a drug test required under the provisions of appendix I to part 121 or an alcohol test required under the provisions of appendix J to part 121 is grounds for—

(1) Denial of an application for any certificate or rating issued under this part for a period of up to 1 year after the date of such refusal; and

(2) Suspension or revocation of any certificate or rating issued under this part.

[Amdt. 65-37, 59 FR 7389, Feb. 15, 1994]

Subpart B—Air Traffic Control Tower Operators

SOURCE: Docket No. 10193, 35 FR 12326, Aug. 1, 1970, unless otherwise noted.

§65.31 Required certificates, and rating or qualification.

No person may act as an air traffic control tower operator at an air traffic control tower in connection with civil aircraft unless he—

(a) Holds an air traffic control tower operator certificate issued to him under this subpart;

(b) Holds a facility rating for that control tower issued to him under this subpart, or has qualified for the operating position at which he acts and is under the supervision of the holder of a facility rating for that control tower; and

For the purpose of this subpart, *operating position* means an air traffic control function performed within or directly associated with the control tower:

(c) Except for a person employed by the FAA or employed by, or on active duty with, the Department of the Air Force, Army, or Navy or the Coast Guard, holds at least a second-class medical certificate issued under part 67 of this chapter.

[Doc. No. 10193, 35 FR 12326, Aug. 1, 1970, as amended by Amdt. 65–25, 45 FR 18911, Mar. 24, 1980; Amdt. 65–31, 52 FR 17518, May 8, 1987]

§65.33 Eligibility requirements: General.

To be eligible for an air traffic control tower operator certificate a person must—

- (a) Be at least 18 years of age;
- (b) Be of good moral character;
- (c) Be able to read, write, and understand the English language and speak it without accent or impediment of speech that would interfere with two-way radio conversation;
- (d) Except for a person employed by the FAA or employed by, or on active duty with, the Department of the Air Force, Army, or Navy or the Coast Guard, hold at least a second-class medical certificate issued under part 67 of this chapter within the 12 months before the date application is made; and
 - (e) Comply with §65.35.

[Doc. No. 10193, 35 FR 12326, Aug. 1, 1970, as amended by Amdt. 65–25, 45 FR 18911, Mar. 24, 1980; Amdt. 65–31, 52 FR 17518, May 8, 1987]

§65.35 Knowledge requirements.

Each applicant for an air traffic control tower operator certificate must pass a written test on—

- (a) The flight rules in part 91 of this chapter:
- (b) Airport traffic control procedures, and this subpart:
- (c) En route traffic control procedures:
- (d) Communications operating procedures:
- (e) Flight assistance service;
- (f) Air navigation, and aids to air navigation; and
 - (g) Aviation weather.

§65.37 Skill requirements: Operating positions.

No person may act as an air traffic control tower operator at any operating position unless he has passed a practical test on—

(a) Control tower equipment and its use:

- (b) Weather reporting procedures and use of reports:
- (c) Notices to Airmen, and use of the Airman's Information Manual;
 - (d) Use of operational forms;
- (e) Performance of noncontrol operational duties; and
- (f) Each of the following procedures that is applicable to that operating position and is required by the person performing the examination:
- (1) The airport, including rules, equipment, runways, taxiways, and obstructions.
- (2) The terrain features, visual checkpoints, and obstructions within the lateral boundaries of the surface areas of Class B, Class C, Class D, or Class E airspace designated for the airport.
- (3) Traffic patterns and associated procedures for use of preferential runways and noise abatement.
 - (4) Operational agreements.
- (5) The center, alternate airports, and those airways, routes, reporting points, and air navigation aids used for terminal air traffic control.
 - (6) Search and rescue procedures.
- (7) Terminal air traffic control procedures and phraseology.
- (8) Holding procedures, prescribed instrument approach, and departure procedures.
- (9) Radar alignment and technical operation.
- (10) The application of the prescribed radar and nonradar separation standard, as appropriate.

[Doc. No. 10193, 35 FR 12326, Aug. 1, 1991, as amended by Amdt. 65–36, 56 FR 65653, Dec. 17, 1991]

§65.39 Practical experience requirements: Facility rating.

Each applicant for a facility rating at any air traffic control tower must have satisfactorily served—

- (a) As an air traffic control tower operator at that control tower without a facility rating for at least 6 months; or
- (b) As an air traffic control tower operator with a facility rating at a different control tower for at least 6 months before the date he applies for the rating.

However, an applicant who is a member of an Armed Force of the United States meets the requirements of this section if he has satisfactorily served as an air traffic control tower operator for at least 6 months.

[Doc. No. 1179, 27 FR 7973, Aug. 10, 1962, as amended by Amdt. 65–19, 36 FR 21280, Nov. 5, 1971]

§65.41 Skill requirements: Facility ratings.

Each applicant for a facility rating at an air traffic control tower must have passed a practical test on each item listed in §65.37 of this part that is applicable to each operating position at the control tower at which the rating is sought.

§65.43 Rating privileges and exchange.

- (a) The holder of a senior rating on August 31, 1970, may at any time after that date exchange his rating for a facility rating at the same air traffic control tower. However, if he does not do so before August 31, 1971, he may not thereafter exercise the privileges of his senior rating at the control tower concerned until he makes the exchange.
- (b) The holder of a junior rating on August 31, 1970, may not control air traffic, at any operating position at the control tower concerned, until he has met the applicable requirements of §65.37 of this part. However, before meeting those requirements he may control air traffic under the supervision, where required, of an operator with a senior rating (or facility rating) in accordance with §65.41 of this part in effect before August 31, 1970.

§65.45 Performance of duties.

- (a) An air traffic control tower operator shall perform his duties in accordance with the limitations on his certificate and the procedures and practices prescribed in air traffic control manuals of the FAA, to provide for the safe, orderly, and expeditious flow of air traffic.
- (b) An operator with a facility rating may control traffic at any operating position at the control tower at which he holds a facility rating. However, he may not issue an air traffic clearance for IFR flight without authorization from the appropriate facility exercising IFR control at that location.
- (c) An operator who does not hold a facility rating for a particular control

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tower may act at each operating position for which he has qualified, under the supervision of an operator holding a facility rating for that control tower.

[Doc. No. 10193, 35 FR 12326, Aug. 1, 1970, as amended by Amdt. 65–16, 35 FR 14075, Sept. 4, 1970]

§65.46 Use of prohibited drugs.

(a) The following definitions apply for the purposes of this section:

(1) An *employee* is a person who performs an air traffic control function for an employer. For the purpose of this section, a person who performs such a function pursuant to a contract with an employer is considered to be performing that function for the employer.

(2) An "employer" means an air traffic control facility not operated by the FAA or by or under contract to the U.S. military that employs a person to perform an air traffic control function.

- (b) Each employer shall provide each employee performing a function listed in appendix I to part 121 of this chapter and his or her supervisor with the training specified in that appendix. No employer may use any contractor to perform an air traffic control function unless that contractor provides each of its employees performing that function for the employer and his or her supervisor with the training specified in that appendix.
- (c) No employer may knowingly use any person to perform, nor may any person perform for an employer, either directly or by contract, any air traffic control function while that person has a prohibited drug, as defined in appendix I to part 121 of this chapter, in his or her system.
- (d) No employer shall knowingly use any person to perform, nor may any person perform for an employer, either directly or by contract, any air traffic control function if the person has a verified positive drug test result on or has refused to submit to a drug test required by appendix I to part 121 of this chapter and the person has not met the requirements of appendix I to part 121 of this chapter for returning to the performance of safety-sensitive duties.
- (e) Each employer shall test each of its employees who performs any air traffic control function in accordance

with appendix I to part 121 of this chapter. No employer may use any contractor to perform any air traffic control function unless that contractor tests each employee performing such a function for the employer in accordance with that appendix.

[Doc. No. 25148, 53 FR 47056, Nov. 21, 1988, as amended by Amdt. 65–38, 59 FR 42927, Aug. 19, 1994]

§65.46a Misuse of alcohol.

(a) This section applies to employees who perform air traffic control duties directly or by contract for an employer that is an air traffic control facility not operated by the FAA or the U.S. military (covered employees).

(b) Alcohol concentration. No covered employee shall report for duty or remain on duty requiring the performance of safety-sensitive functions while having an alcohol concentration of 0.04 or greater. No employer having actual knowledge that an employee has an alcohol concentration of 0.04 or greater shall permit the employee to perform or continue to perform safety-sensitive functions.

- (c) On-duty use. No covered employee shall use alcohol while performing safety-sensitive functions. No employer having actual knowledge that a covered employee is using alcohol while performing safety-sensitive functions shall permit the employee to perform or continue to perform safety-sensitive functions.
- (d) *Pre-duty use.* No covered employee shall perform air traffic control duties within 8 hours after using alcohol. No employer having actual knowledge that such an employee has used alcohol within 8 hours shall permit the employee to perform or continue to perform air traffic control duties.
- (e) Use following an accident. No covered employee who has actual knowledge of an accident involving an aircraft for which he or she performed a safety-sensitive function at or near the time of the accident shall use alcohol for 8 hours following the accident, unless he or she has been given a post-accident test under appendix J to part 121 of this chapter, or the employer has determined that the employee's performance could not have contributed to the accident.

(f) Refusal to submit to a required alcohol test. No covered employee shall refuse to submit to a post-accident, random, reasonable suspicion, or follow-up alcohol test required under appendix J to part 121 of this chapter. No employer shall permit an employee who refuses to submit to such a test to perform or continue to perform safety-sensitive functions.

[Amdt. 65-37, 59 FR 7389, Feb. 15, 1994]

§65.46b Testing for alcohol.

(a) Each air traffic control facility not operated by the FAA or the U.S. military (hereinafter *employer*) must establish an alcohol misuse prevention program in accordance with the provisions of appendix J to part 121 of this chapter.

(b) No employer shall use any person who meets the definition of *covered employee* in appendix J to part 121 to perform a safety-sensitive function listed in that appendix unless such person is subject to testing for alcohol misuse in accordance with the provisions of appendix J.

[Amdt. 65–37, 59 FR 7389, Feb. 15, 1994]

§65.47 Maximum hours.

Except in an emergency, a certificated air traffic control tower operator must be relieved of all duties for at least 24 consecutive hours at least once during each 7 consecutive days. Such an operator may not serve or be required to serve—

- (a) For more than 10 consecutive hours; or
- (b) For more than 10 hours during a period of 24 consecutive hours, unless he has had a rest period of at least 8 hours at or before the end of the 10 hours of duty.

§65.49 General operating rules.

(a) Except for a person employed by the FAA or employed by, or on active duty with, the Department of the Air Force, Army, or Navy, or the Coast Guard, no person may act as an air traffic control tower operator under a certificate issued to him or her under this part unless he or she has in his or her personal possession an appropriate current medical certificate issued under part 67 of this chapter.

- (b) Each person holding an air traffic control tower operator certificate shall keep it readily available when performing duties in an air traffic control tower, and shall present that certificate or his medical certificate or both for inspection upon the request of the Administrator or an authorized representative of the National Transportation Safety Board, or of any Federal, State, or local law enforcement officer.
- (c) A certificated air traffic control tower operator who does not hold a facility rating for a particular control tower may not act at any operating position at the control tower concerned unless there is maintained at that control tower, readily available to persons named in paragraph (b) of this section, a current record of the operating positions at which he has qualified.
- (d) An air traffic control tower operator may not perform duties under his certificate during any period of known physical deficiency that would make him unable to meet the physical requirements for his current medical certificate. However, if the deficiency is temporary, he may perform duties that are not affected by it whenever another certificated and qualified operator is present and on duty.
- (e) A certificated air traffic control tower operator may not control air traffic with equipment that the Administrator has found to be inadequate.
- (f) The holder of an air traffic control tower operator certificate, or an applicant for one, shall, upon the reasonable request of the Administrator, cooperate fully in any test that is made of him

[Doc. No. 1179, 27 FR 7973, Aug. 10, 1962, as amended by Amdt. 65-31, 52 FR 17519, May 8, 1987]

$\S 65.50$ Currency requirements.

The holder of an air traffic control tower operator certificate may not perform any duties under that certificate unless—

(a) He has served for at least three of the preceding 6 months as an air traffic control tower operator at the control tower to which his facility rating applies, or at the operating positions for which he has qualified; or

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(b) He has shown that he meets the requirements for his certificate and facility rating at the control tower concerned, or for operating at positions for which he has previously qualified.

Subpart C—Aircraft Dispatchers

SOURCE: Docket No. FAA-1998-4553, 64 FR 68923, Dec. 8, 1999, unless otherwise noted.

§65.51 Certificate required.

- (a) No person may act as an aircraft dispatcher (exercising responsibility with the pilot in command in the operational control of a flight) in connection with any civil aircraft in air commerce unless that person has in his or her personal possession an aircraft dispatcher certificate issued under this subpart.
- (b) Each person who holds an aircraft dispatcher certificate must present it for inspection upon the request of the Administrator or an authorized representative of the National Transportation Safety Board, or of any Federal, State, or local law enforcement officer.

§65.53 Eligibility requirements: General.

- (a) To be eligible to take the aircraft dispatcher knowledge test, a person must be at least 21 years of age.
- (b) To be eligible for an aircraft dispatcher certificate, a person must—
 - (1) Be at least 23 years of age;
- (2) Be able to read, speak, write, and understand the English language;
- (3) Pass the required knowledge test prescribed by §65.55 of this part;
- (4) Pass the required practical test prescribed by §65.59 of this part; and
- (5) Comply with the requirements of §65.57 of this part.

§65.55 Knowledge requirements.

- (a) A person who applies for an aircraft dispatcher certificate must pass a knowledge test on the following aeronautical knowledge areas:
- (1) Applicable Federal Aviation Regulations of this chapter that relate to airline transport pilot privileges, limitations, and flight operations;
- (2) Meteorology, including knowledge of and effects of fronts, frontal characteristics, cloud formations, icing, and upper-air data;

- (3) General system of weather and NOTAM collection, dissemination, interpretation, and use;
- (4) Interpretation and use of weather charts, maps, forecasts, sequence reports, abbreviations, and symbols;
- (5) National Weather Service functions as they pertain to operations in the National Airspace System;
- (6) Windshear and microburst awareness, identification, and avoidance;
- (7) Principles of air navigation under instrument meteorological conditions in the National Airspace System;
- (8) Air traffic control procedures and pilot responsibilities as they relate to enroute operations, terminal area and radar operations, and instrument departure and approach procedures;
- (9) Aircraft loading, weight and balance, use of charts, graphs, tables, formulas, and computations, and their effect on aircraft performance;
- (10) Aerodynamics relating to an aircraft's flight characteristics and performance in normal and abnormal flight regimes;
 - (11) Human factors;
- (12) Aeronautical decision making and judgment; and
- (13) Crew resource management, including crew communication and coordination.
- (b) The applicant must present documentary evidence satisfactory to the administrator of having passed an aircraft dispatcher knowledge test within the preceding 24 calendar months.

§65.57 Experience or training requirements.

An applicant for an aircraft dispatcher certificate must present documentary evidence satisfactory to the Administrator that he or she has the experience prescribed in paragraph (a) of this section or has accomplished the training described in paragraph (b) of this section as follows:

- (a) A total of at least 2 years experience in the 3 years before the date of application, in any one or in any combination of the following areas:
- (1) In military aircraft operations as a—
- (i) Pilot;
- (ii) Flight navigator; or
- (iii) Meteorologist.

- (2) In aircraft operations conducted under part 121 of this chapter as—
- (i) An assistant in dispatching air carrier aircraft, under the direct supervision of a dispatcher certificated under this subpart;
 - (ii) A pilot;
 - (iii) A flight engineer; or
 - (iv) A meteorologist.
 - (3) In aircraft operations as—
 - (i) An Air Traffic Controller; or (ii) A Flight Service Specialist.
- (4) In aircraft operations, performing other duties that the Administrator
- finds provide equivalent experience.
 (b) A statement of graduation issued or revalidated in accordance with \$65.70(b) of this part, showing that the person has successfully completed an

approved aircraft dispatcher course.

§65.59 Skill requirements.

An applicant for an aircraft dispatcher certificate must pass a practical test given by the Administrator, with respect to any one type of large aircraft used in air carrier operations. The practical test must be based on the aircraft dispatcher practical test standards, as published by the FAA, on the items outlined in appendix A of this part.

§65.61 Aircraft dispatcher certification courses: Content and min-

- (a) An approved aircraft dispatcher certification course must:
- (1) Provide instruction in the areas of knowledge and topics listed in appendix A of this part:
- (2) Include a minimum of 200 hours of instruction.
- (b) An applicant for approval of an aircraft dispatcher course must submit an outline that describes the major topics and subtopics to be covered and the number of hours proposed for each.
- (c) Additional subject headings for an aircraft dispatcher certification course may also be included, however the hours proposed for any subjects not listed in appendix A of this part must be in addition to the minimum 200 course hours required in paragraph (a) of this section.
- (d) For the purpose of completing an approved course, a student may substitute previous experience or training

for a portion of the minimum 200 hours of training. The course operator determines the number of hours of credit based on an evaluation of the experience or training to determine if it is comparable to portions of the approved course curriculum. The credit allowed, including the total hours and the basis for it, must be placed in the student's record required by §65.70(a) of this part.

§ 65.63 Aircraft dispatcher certification courses: Application, duration, and other general requirements.

- (a) Application. Application for original approval of an aircraft dispatcher certification course or the renewal of approval of an aircraft dispatcher certification course under this part must be:
- (1) Made in writing to the Administrator;
- (2) Accompanied by two copies of the course outline required under §65.61(b) of this part, for which approval is sought;
- (3) Accompanied by a description of the equipment and facilities to be used; and
- (4) Accompanied by a list of the instructors and their qualifications.
- (b) *Duration.* Unless withdrawn or canceled, an approval of an aircraft dispatcher certification course of study expires:
- (1) On the last day of the 24th month from the month the approval was issued; or
- (2) Except as provided in paragraph (f) of this section, on the date that any change in ownership of the school occurs.
- (c) Renewal. Application for renewal of an approved aircraft dispatcher certification course must be made within 30 days preceding the month the approval expires, provided the course operator meets the following requirements:
- (1) At least 80 percent of the graduates from that aircraft dispatcher certification course, who applied for the practical test required by §65.59 of this part, passed the practical test on their first attempt; and

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- (2) The aircraft dispatcher certification course continues to meet the requirements of this subpart for course approval.
- (d) Course revisions. Requests for approval of a revision of the course outline, facilities, or equipment must be in accordance with paragraph (a) of this section. Proposed revisions of the course outline or the description of facilities and equipment must be submitted in a format that will allow an entire page or pages of the approved outline or description to be removed and replaced by any approved revision. The list of instructors may be revised at any time without request for approval, provided the minimum requirements of §65.67 of this part are maintained and the Administrator is notified in writing.
- (e) Withdrawal or cancellation of approval. Failure to continue to meet the requirements of this subpart for the approval or operation of an approved aircraft dispatcher certification course is grounds for withdrawal of approval of the course. A course operator may request cancellation of course approval by a letter to the Administrator. The operator must forward any records to the FAA as requested by the Administrator.
- (f) Change in ownership. A change in ownership of a part 65, appendix A-approved course does not terminate that aircraft dispatcher certification course approval if, within 10 days after the date that any change in ownership of the school occurs:
- (1) Application is made for an appropriate amendment to the approval; and
- (2) No change in the facilities, personnel, or approved aircraft dispatcher certification course is involved.
- (g) Change in name or location. A change in name or location of an approved aircraft dispatcher certification course does not invalidate the approval if, within 10 days after the date that any change in name or location occurs, the course operator of the part 65, appendix A-approved course notifies the Administrator, in writing, of the change.

§65.65 Aircraft dispatcher certification courses: Training facilities.

An applicant for approval of authority to operate an aircraft dispatcher course of study must have facilities, equipment, and materials adequate to provide each student the theoretical and practical aspects of aircraft dispatching. Each room, training booth, or other space used for instructional purposes must be temperature controlled, lighted, and ventilated to conform to local building, sanitation, and health codes. In addition, the training facility must be so located that the students in that facility are not distracted by the instruction conducted in other rooms.

§65.67 Aircraft dispatcher certification courses: Personnel.

- (a) Each applicant for an aircraft dispatcher certification course must meet the following personnel requirements:
- (1) Each applicant must have adequate personnel, including one instructor who holds an aircraft dispatcher certificate and is available to coordinate all training course instruction.
- (2) Each applicant must not exceed a ratio of 25 students for one instructor.
- (b) The instructor who teaches the practical dispatch applications area of the appendix A course must hold an aircraft dispatchers certificate

§65.70 Aircraft dispatcher certification courses: Records.

- (a) The operator of an aircraft dispatcher course must maintain a record for each student, including a chronological log of all instructors, subjects covered, and course examinations and results. The record must be retained for at least 3 years after graduation. The course operator also must prepare, for its records, and transmit to the Administrator not later than January 31 of each year, a report containing the following information for the previous year:
- (1) The names of all students who graduated, together with the results of their aircraft dispatcher certification courses.
- (2) The names of all the students who failed or withdrew, together with the

results of their aircraft dispatcher certification courses or the reasons for their withdrawal.

(b) Each student who successfully completes the approved aircraft dispatcher certification course must be given a written statement of graduation, which is valid for 90 days. After 90 days, the course operator may revalidate the graduation certificate for an additional 90 days if the course operator determines that the student remains proficient in the subject areas listed in appendix A of this part.

Subpart D—Mechanics

§65.71 Eligibility requirements: General.

- (a) To be eligible for a mechanic certificate and associated ratings, a person must—
 - (1) Be at least 18 years of age;
- (2) Be able to read, write, speak, and understand the English language, or in the case of an applicant who does not meet this requirement and who is employed outside of the United States by a U.S. air carrier, have his certificate endorsed "Valid only outside the United States";
- (3) Have passed all of the prescribed tests within a period of 24 months; and
- (4) Comply with the sections of this subpart that apply to the rating he seeks.
- (b) A certificated mechanic who applies for an additional rating must meet the requirements of §65.77 and, within a period of 24 months, pass the tests prescribed by §865.75 and 65.79 for the additional rating sought.

[Doc. No. 1179, 27 FR 7973, Aug. 10, 1962, as amended by Amdt. 65-6, 31 FR 5950, Apr. 19, 1966]

§65.73 Ratings.

- (a) The following ratings are issued under this subpart:
 - (1) Airframe.
 - (2) Powerplant.
- (b) A mechanic certificate with an aircraft or aircraft engine rating, or both, that was issued before, and was valid on, June 15, 1952, is equal to a mechanic certificate with an airframe or powerplant rating, or both, as the case may be, and may be exchanged for such

a corresponding certificate and rating or ratings.

§65.75 Knowledge requirements.

- (a) Each applicant for a mechanic certificate or rating must, after meeting the applicable experience requirements of §65.77, pass a written test covering the construction and maintenance of aircraft appropriate to the rating he seeks, the regulations in this subpart, and the applicable provisions of parts 43 and 91 of this chapter. The basic principles covering the installation and maintenance of propellers are included in the powerplant test.
- (b) The applicant must pass each section of the test before applying for the oral and practical tests prescribed by §65.79. A report of the written test is sent to the applicant.

[Doc. No. 1179, 27 FR 7973, Aug. 10, 1962, as amended by Amdt. 65–1, 27 FR 10410, Oct. 25, 1962; Amdt. 65–6, 31 FR 5950, Apr. 19, 1966]

§65.77 Experience requirements.

Each applicant for a mechanic certificate or rating must present either an appropriate graduation certificate or certificate of completion from a certificated cated aviation maintenance technician school or documentary evidence, satisfactory to the Administrator, of—

- (a) At least 18 months of practical experience with the procedures, practices, materials, tools, machine tools, and equipment generally used in constructing, maintaining, or altering airframes, or powerplants appropriate to the rating sought; or
- (b) At least 30 months of practical experience concurrently performing the duties appropriate to both the airframe and powerplant ratings.

[Doc. No. 1179, 27 FR, 7973, Aug. 10, 1962, as amended by Amdt. 65–14, 35 FR, 5533, Apr. 3, 1970]

§65.79 Skill requirements.

Each applicant for a mechanic certificate or rating must pass an oral and a practical test on the rating he seeks. The tests cover the applicant's basic skill in performing practical projects on the subjects covered by the written test for that rating. An applicant for a

powerplant rating must show his ability to make satisfactory minor repairs to, and minor alterations of, propellers.

§65.80 Certificated aviation maintenance technician school students.

Whenever an aviation maintenance technician school certificated under part 147 of this chapter shows to an FAA inspector that any of its students has made satisfactory progress at the school and is prepared to take the oral and practical tests prescribed by §65.79, that student may take those tests during the final subjects of his training in the approved curriculum, before he meets the applicable experience requirements of §65.77 and before he passes each section of the written test prescribed by §65.75.

[Doc. No. 9444, 35 FR 5533, Apr. 3, 1970]

§65.81 General privileges and limitations.

(a) A certificated mechanic may perform or supervise the maintenance, preventive maintenance or alteration of an aircraft or appliance, or a part thereof, for which he is rated (but excluding major repairs to, and major alterations of, propellers, and any repair to, or alteration of, instruments), and may perform additional duties in accordance with §§ 65.85, 65.87, and 65.95. However, he may not supervise the maintenance, preventive maintenance, or alteration of, or approve and return to service, any aircraft or appliance, or part thereof, for which he is rated unless he has satisfactorily performed the work concerned at an earlier date. If he has not so performed that work at an earlier date, he may show his ability to do it by performing it to the satisfaction of the Administrator or under the direct supervision of a certificated and appropriately rated mechanic, or a certificated repairman, who has had previous experience in the specific operation concerned.

(b) A certificated mechanic may not exercise the privileges of his certificate and rating unless he understands the current instructions of the manufacturer, and the maintenance manuals, for the specific operation concerned.

[Doc. No. 1179, 27 FR 7973, Aug. 10, 1962, as amended by Amdt. 65–2, 29 FR 5451, Apr. 23, 1964; Amdt. 65–26, 45 FR 46737, July 10, 1980]

§ 65.83 Recent experience requirements.

A certificated mechanic may not exercise the privileges of his certificate and rating unless, within the preceding 24 months—

- (a) The Administrator has found that he is able to do that work; or
 - (b) He has, for at least 6 months—
- (1) Served as a mechanic under his certificate and rating;
- (2) Technically supervised other mechanics;
- (3) Supervised, in an executive capacity, the maintenance or alteration of aircraft; or
- (4) Been engaged in any combination of paragraph (b) (1), (2), or (3) of this section

§65.85 Airframe rating; additional privileges.

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, a certificated mechanic with an airframe rating may approve and return to service an airframe, or any related part or appliance, after he has performed, supervised, or inspected its maintenance or alteration (excluding major repairs and major alterations). In addition, he may perform the 100-hour inspection required by part 91 of this chapter on an airframe, or any related part or appliance, and approve and return it to service.

(b) A certificated mechanic with an airframe rating can approve and return to service an airframe, or any related part or appliance, of an aircraft with a special airworthiness certificate in the light-sport category after performing and inspecting a major repair or major alteration for products that are not produced under an FAA approval provided the work was performed in accordance with instructions developed by the manufacturer or a person acceptable to the FAA.

[Doc. No. 1179, 27 FR 7973, Aug. 10, 1962, as amended by Amdt. 65–10, 32 FR 5770, Apr. 11, 1967; Amdt. 65–45, 69 FR 44879, July 27, 2004]

§65.87 Powerplant rating; additional privileges.

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, a certificated mechanic with a powerplant rating may approve and return to service a powerplant or propeller or any related part

or appliance, after he has performed, supervised, or inspected its maintenance or alteration (excluding major repairs and major alterations). In addition, he may perform the 100-hour inspection required by part 91 of this chapter on a powerplant or propeller, or any part thereof, and approve and return it to service.

(b) A certificated mechanic with a powerplant rating can approve and return to service a powerplant or propeller, or any related part or appliance, of an aircraft with a special airworthiness certificate in the light-sport category after performing and inspecting a major repair or major alteration for products that are not produced under an FAA approval, provided the work was performed in accordance with instructions developed by the manufacturer or a person acceptable to the FAA.

[Doc. No. 1179, 27 FR 7973, Aug. 10, 1962, as amended by Amdt. 65–10, 32 FR 5770, Apr. 11, 1967; Amdt. 65–45, 69 FR 44879, July 27, 2004]

§65.89 Display of certificate.

Each person who holds a mechanic certificate shall keep it within the immediate area where he normally exercises the privileges of the certificate and shall present it for inspection upon the request of the Administrator or an authorized representative of the National Transportation Safety Board, or of any Federal, State, or local law enforcement officer.

[Doc. No. 7258, 31 FR 13524, Oct. 20, 1966, as amended by Doc. No. 8084, 32 FR 5769, Apr. 11, 1967]

§65.91 Inspection authorization.

- (a) An application for an inspection authorization is made on a form and in a manner prescribed by the Administrator
- (b) An applicant who meets the requirements of this section is entitled to an inspection authorization.
- (c) To be eligible for an inspection authorization, an applicant must—
- (1) Hold a currently effective mechanic certificate with both an airframe rating and a powerplant rating, each of which is currently effective and has been in effect for a total of at least 3 years;

- (2) Have been actively engaged, for at least the 2-year period before the date he applies, in maintaining aircraft certificated and maintained in accordance with this chapter;
- (3) Have a fixed base of operations at which he may be located in person or by telephone during a normal working week but it need not be the place where he will exercise his inspection authority;
- (4) Have available to him the equipment, facilities, and inspection data necessary to properly inspect airframes, powerplants, propellers, or any related part or appliance; and
- (5) Pass a written test on his ability to inspect according to safety standards for returning aircraft to service after major repairs and major alterations and annual and progressive inspections performed under part 43 of this chapter.

An applicant who fails the test prescribed in paragraph (c)(5) of this section may not apply for retesting until at least 90 days after the date he failed the test.

[Doc. No. 1179, 27 FR 7973, Aug. 10, 1962, as amended by Amdt. 65–5, 31 FR 3337, Mar. 3, 1966; Amdt. 65–22, 42 FR 46279, Sept. 15, 1977; Amdt. 65–30, 50 FR 15700, Apr. 19, 1985]

$\S 65.92$ Inspection authorization: Duration.

- (a) Each inspection authorization expires on March 31 of each year. However, the holder may exercise the privileges of that authorization only while he holds a currently effective mechanic certificate with both a currently effective airframe rating and a currently effective powerplant rating.
- (b) An inspection authorization ceases to be effective whenever any of the following occurs:
- (1) The authorization is surrendered, suspended, or revoked.
- (2) The holder no longer has a fixed base of operation.
- (3) The holder no longer has the equipment, facilities, and inspection data required by §65.91(c) (3) and (4) for issuance of his authorization.
- (c) The holder of an inspection authorization that is suspended or revoked shall, upon the Administrator's

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request, return it to the Administrator.

[Doc. No. 12537, 42 FR 46279, Sept. 15, 1977]

§65.93 Inspection authorization: Renewal.

(a) To be eligible for renewal of an inspection authorization for a 1-year period an applicant must present evidence annually, during the month of March, at an FAA Flight Standards District Office or an International Field Office that the applicant still meets the requirements of §65.91(c) (1) through (4) and must show that, during the current period that the applicant held the inspection authorization, the applicant—

(1) Has performed at least one annual inspection for each 90 days that the applicant held the current authority; or

- (2) Has performed inspections of at least two major repairs or major alterations for each 90 days that the applicant held the current authority; or
- (3) Has performed or supervised and approved at least one progressive inspection in accordance with standards prescribed by the Administrator; or
- (4) Has attended and successfully completed a refresher course, acceptable to the Administrator, of not less than 8 hours of instruction during the 12-month period preceding the application for renewal; or
- (5) Has passed on oral test by an FAA inspector to determine that the applicant's knowledge of applicable regulations and standards is current.
- (b) The holder of an inspection authorization that has been in effect for less than 90 days before the expiration date need not comply with paragraphs (a) (1) through (5) of this section.

[Doc. No. 18241, 45 FR 46738, July 10, 1980, as amended by Amdt. 65–35, 54 FR 39292, Sept. 25, 1989]

§65.95 Inspection authorization: Privileges and limitations.

- (a) The holder of an inspection authorization may—
- (1) Inspect and approve for return to service any aircraft or related part or appliance (except any aircraft maintained in accordance with a continuous airworthiness program under part 121 of this chapter) after a major repair or major alteration to it in accordance

with part 43 [New] of this chapter, if the work was done in accordance with technical data approved by the Administrator; and

- (2) Perform an annual, or perform or supervise a progressive inspection according to §§ 43.13 and 43.15 of this chapter
- (b) When he exercises the privileges of an inspection authorization the holder shall keep it available for inspection by the aircraft owner, the mechanic submitting the aircraft, repair, or alteration for approval (if any), and shall present it upon the request of the Administrator or an authorized representative of the National Transportation Safety Board, or of any Federal, State, or local law enforcement officer.
- (c) If the holder of an inspection authorization changes his fixed base of operation, he may not exercise the privileges of the authorization until he has notified the FAA Flight Standards District Office or International Field Office for the area in which the new base is located, in writing, of the change.

[Doc. No. 1179, 27 FR 7973, Aug. 10, 1962, as amended by Amdt. 65–2, 29 FR 5451, Apr. 23, 1964; Amdt. 65–4, 30 FR 3638, Mar. 14, 1965; Amdt. 65–5, 31 FR 3337, Mar. 3, 1966; Amdt. 65–9, 31 FR 13524, Oct. 20, 1966; 32 FR 5769, Apr. 11, 1967; Amdt. 65–35, 54 FR 39292, Sept. 25, 1989; Amdt. 65–41, 66 FR 21066, Apr. 27, 2001]

Subpart E—Repairmen

$\S 65.101$ Eligibility requirements: General.

- (a) To be eligible for a repairman certificate a person must—
 - (1) Be at least 18 years of age;
- (2) Be specially qualified to perform maintenance on aircraft or components thereof, appropriate to the job for which he is employed;
- (3) Be employed for a specific job requiring those special qualifications by a certificated repair station, or by a certificated commercial operator or certificated air carrier, that is required by its operating certificate or approved operations specifications to provide a continuous airworthiness maintenance program according to its maintenance manuals;
- (4) Be recommended for certification by his employer, to the satisfaction of

the Administrator, as able to satisfactorily maintain aircraft or components, appropriate to the job for which he is employed;

- (5) Have either-
- (i) At least 18 months of practical experience in the procedures, practices, inspection methods, materials, tools, machine tools, and equipment generally used in the maintenance duties of the specific job for which the person is to be employed and certificated; or
- (ii) Completed formal training that is acceptable to the Administrator and is specifically designed to qualify the applicant for the job on which the applicant is to be employed; and
- (6) Be able to read, write, speak, and understand the English language, or, in the case of an applicant who does not meet this requirement and who is employed outside the United States by a certificated repair station, a certificated U.S. commercial operator, or a certificated U.S. air carrier, described in paragraph (c) of this section, have his certificate endorsed "Valid only outside the United States."
- (b) This section does not apply to the issuance of a repairman certificate (experimental aircraft builder) under §65.104 or to a repairman certificate (light-sport aircraft) under §65.107.

[Doc. No. 1179, 27 FR 7973, Aug. 10, 1962, as amended by Amdt. 65-11, 32 FR 13506, Sept. 27, 1967; Amdt. 65-24, 44 FR 46781, Aug. 9, 1979; Amdt. 65-27, 47 FR 13316, Mar. 29, 1982; Amdt. 65-45, 69 FR 44879, July 27, 2004]

§65.103 Repairman certificate: Privileges and limitations.

- (a) A certificated repairman may perform or supervise the maintenance, preventive maintenance, or alteration of aircraft or aircraft components appropriate to the job for which the repairman was employed and certificated, but only in connection with duties for the certificate holder by whom the repairman was employed and recommended.
- (b) A certificated repairman may not perform or supervise duties under the repairman certificate unless the repairman understands the current instructions of the certificate holder by whom the repairman is employed and the manufacturer's instructions for contin-

ued airworthiness relating to the specific operations concerned.

(c) This section does not apply to the holder of a repairman certificate (light-sport aircraft) while that repairman is performing work under that certificate.

[Doc. No. 18241, 45 FR 46738, July 10, 1980, as amended by Amdt. 65–45, 69 FR 44879, July 27, 2004]

§ 65.104 Repairman certificate—experimental aircraft builder—Eligibility, privileges and limitations.

- (a) To be eligible for a repairman certificate (experimental aircraft builder), an individual must—
 - (1) Be at least 18 years of age;
- (2) Be the primary builder of the aircraft to which the privileges of the certificate are applicable;
- (3) Show to the satisfaction of the Administrator that the individual has the requisite skill to determine whether the aircraft is in a condition for safe operations; and
- (4) Be a citizen of the United States or an individual citizen of a foreign country who has lawfully been admitted for permanent residence in the United States.
- (b) The holder of a repairman certificate (experimental aircraft builder) may perform condition inspections on the aircraft constructed by the holder in accordace with the operating limitations of that aircraft.
- (c) Section 65.103 does not apply to the holder of a repairman certificate (experimental aircraft builder) while performing under that certificate.

[Doc. No. 18739, 44 FR 46781, Aug. 9, 1979]

§65.105 Display of certificate.

Each person who holds a repairman certificate shall keep it within the immediate area where he normally exercises the privileges of the certificate and shall present it for inspection upon the request of the Administrator or an authorized representative of the National Transportation Safety Board, or of any Federal, State, or local law enforcement officer.

[Doc. No. 7258, 31 FR 13524, Oct. 20, 1966, as amended by Doc. No. 8084, 32 FR 5769, Apr. 11, 1967]

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§65.107 Repairman certificate (lightsport aircraft): Eligibility, privileges, and limits.

(a) Use the following table to determine your eligibility for a repairman certificate (light-sport aircraft) and appropriate rating:

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To be eligible for	You must
	(i) Be at least 18 years old, (ii) Be able to read, speak, write, and understand English. If for medical rea- sons you cannot meet one of these requirements, the FAA may place limits on your repairman certificate necessary to safely per- form the actions authorize by the certificate and rat- ing, (iii) Demonstrate the requisit skill to determine whether a light-sport aircraft is in a condition for safe oper- ation, and (iv) Be a citizen of the United States, or a citizen of a fo eign country who has bee lawfully admitted for per- manent residence in the United States. (i) Meet the requirements of paragraph (a)(1) of this section, and (ii) Complete a 16-hour train ing course acceptable to the FAA on inspecting the particular class of experi- mental light-sport aircraft for which you intend to ex ercise the privileges of this rating. (i) Meet the requirements of paragraph (a)(1) of this section, and (ii) Complete a training course acceptable to the FAA on maintaining the particular class of light- sport aircraft for which you intend to exercise the privi leges of this rating. The training course must, at a minimum, provide the fol- lowing number of hours of instruction: (A) For airplane class privi- leges—120-hours, (B) For weight-shift control
	training course must, at a minimum, provide the fol- lowing number of hours o instruction: (A) For airplane class privi- leges—120-hours,

(b) The holder of a repairman certificate (light-sport aircraft) with an in-

spection rating may perform the annual condition inspection on a lightsport aircraft:

(1) That is owned by the holder;

(2) That has been issued an experimental certificate for operating a light-sport aircraft under §21.191(i) of this chapter; and

(3) That is in the same class of light-sport-aircraft for which the holder has completed the training specified in paragraph (a) (2) (ii) of this section.

(c) The holder of a repairman certificate (light-sport aircraft) with a main-

tenance rating may-

- (1) Approve and return to service an aircraft that has been issued a special airworthiness certificate in the light-sport category under §21.190 of this chapter, or any part thereof, after performing or inspecting maintenance (to include the annual condition inspection and the 100-hour inspection required by §91.327 of this chapter), preventive maintenance, or an alteration (excluding a major repair or a major alteration on a product produced under an FAA approval);
- (2) Perform the annual condition inspection on a light-sport aircraft that has been issued an experimental certificate for operating a light-sport aircraft under §21.191(i) of this chapter; and
- (3) Only perform maintenance, preventive maintenance, and an alteration on a light-sport aircraft that is in the same class of light-sport aircraft for which the holder has completed the training specified in paragraph (a)(3)(ii) of this section. Before performing a major repair, the holder must complete additional training acceptable to the FAA and appropriate to the repair performed.
- (d) The holder of a repairman certificate (light-sport aircraft) with a maintenance rating may not approve for return to service any aircraft or part thereof unless that person has previously performed the work concerned satisfactorily. If that person has not previously performed that work, the person may show the ability to do the work by performing it to the satisfaction of the FAA, or by performing it under the direct supervision of a certificated and appropriately rated mechanic, or a certificated repairman,

who has had previous experience in the specific operation concerned. The repairman may not exercise the privileges of the certificate unless the repairman understands the current instructions of the manufacturer and the maintenance manuals for the specific operation concerned.

[Doc. No. FAA-2001-11133, 69 FR 44879, July 27, 2004]

Subpart F—Parachute Riggers

§65.111 Certificate required.

- (a) No person may pack, maintain, or alter any personnel-carrying parachute intended for emergency use in connection with civil aircraft of the United States (including the reserve parachute of a dual parachute system to be used for intentional parachute jumping) unless that person holds an appropriate current certificate and type rating issued under this subpart and complies with §§ 65.127 through 65.133.
- (b) No person may pack, maintain, or alter any main parachute of a dual-parachute system to be used for intentional parachute jumping in connection with civil aircraft of the United States unless that person—
- (1) Has an appropriate current certificate issued under this subpart;
- (2) Is under the supervision of a current certificated parachute rigger;
- (3) Is the person making the next parachute jump with that parachute in accordance with §105.43(a) of this chapter; or
- (4) Is the parachutist in command making the next parachute jump with that parachute in a tandem parachute operation conducted under §105.45(b)(1) of this chapter.
- (c) Each person who holds a parachute rigger certificate shall present it for inspection upon the request of the Administrator or an authorized representative of the National Transportation Safety Board, or of any Federal, State, or local law enforcement officer.
- (d) The following parachute rigger certificates are issued under this part:
 - (1) Senior parachute rigger.
 - (2) Master parachute rigger.
- (e) Sections 65.127 through 65.133 do not apply to parachutes packed, main-

tained, or altered for the use of the armed forces.

[Doc. No. 1179, 27 FR 7973, Aug. 10, 1962, as amended by Amdt. 65-9, 31 FR 13524, Oct. 20, 1966; 32 FR 5769, Apr. 11, 1967; Amdt. 65-42, 66 FR 23553, May 9, 2001]

§65.113 Eligibility requirements: General.

- (a) To be eligible for a parachute rigger certificate, a person must—
 - (1) Be at least 18 years of age;
- (2) Be able to read, write, speak, and understand the English language, or, in the case of a citizen of Puerto Rico, or a person who is employed outside of the United States by a U.S. air carrier, and who does not meet this requirement, be issued a certificate that is valid only in Puerto Rico or while he is employed outside of the United States by that air carrier, as the case may be; and
- (3) Comply with the sections of this subpart that apply to the certificate and type rating he seeks.
- (b) Except for a master parachute rigger certificate, a parachute rigger certificate that was issued before, and was valid on, October 31, 1962, is equal to a senior parachute rigger certificate, and may be exchanged for such a corresponding certificate.

§65.115 Senior parachute rigger certificate: Experience, knowledge, and skill requirements.

Except as provided in §65.117, an applicant for a senior parachute rigger certificate must—

- (a) Present evidence satisfactory to the Administrator that he has packed at least 20 parachutes of each type for which he seeks a rating, in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and under the supervision of a certificated parachute rigger holding a rating for that type or a person holding an appropriate military rating;
- (b) Pass a written test, with respect to parachutes in common use, on—
- (1) Their construction, packing, and maintenance;
- (2) The manufacturer's instructions;
- (3) The regulations of this subpart; and
- (c) Pass an oral and practical test showing his ability to pack and maintain at least one type of parachute in

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common use, appropriate to the type rating he seeks.

[Doc. No. 10468, 37 FR 13251, July 6, 1972]

§65.117 Military riggers or former military riggers: Special certification rule.

In place of the procedure in §65.115, an applicant for a senior parachute rigger certificate is entitled to it if he passes a written test on the regulations of this subpart and presents satisfactory documentary evidence that he—

- (a) Is a member or civilian employee of an Armed Force of the United States, is a civilian employee of a regular armed force of a foreign country, or has, within the 12 months before he applies, been honorably discharged or released from any status covered by this paragraph;
- (b) Is serving, or has served within the 12 months before he applies, as a parachute rigger for such an Armed Force; and
- (c) Has the experience required by §65.115(a).

§65.119 Master parachute rigger certificate: Experience, knowledge, and skill requirements.

An applicant for a master parachute rigger certificate must meet the following requirements:

- (a) Present evidence satisfactory to the Administrator that he has had at least 3 years of experience as a parachute rigger and has satisfactorily packed at least 100 parachutes of each of two types in common use, in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions—
- (1) While a certificated and appropriately rated senior parachute rigger; or
- (2) While under the supervision of a certificated and appropriately rated parachute rigger or a person holding appropriate military ratings.

An applicant may combine experience specified in paragraphs (a) (1) and (2) of this section to meet the requirements of this paragraph.

- (b) If the applicant is not the holder of a senior parachute rigger certificate, pass a written test, with respect to parachutes in common use, on—
- (1) Their construction, packing, and maintenance;

- (2) The manufacturer's instructions; and
 - (3) The regulations of this subpart.
- (c) Pass an oral and practical test showing his ability to pack and maintain two types of parachutes in common use, appropriate to the type ratings he seeks.

[Doc. No. 10468, 37 FR 13252, July 6, 1972]

§65.121 Type ratings.

- (a) The following type ratings are issued under this subpart:
 - (1) Seat.
 - (2) Back.
 - (3) Chest.
 - (4) Lap.
- (b) The holder of a senior parachute rigger certificate who qualifies for a master parachute rigger certificate is entitled to have placed on his master parachute rigger certificate the ratings that were on his senior parachute rigger certificate.

§65.123 Additional type ratings: Requirements.

A certificated parachute rigger who applies for an additional type rating

- (a) Present evidence satisfactory to the Administrator that he has packed at least 20 parachutes of the type for which he seeks a rating, in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and under the supervision of a certificated parachute rigger holding a rating for that type or a person holding an appropriate military rating; and
- (b) Pass a practical test, to the satisfaction of the Administrator, showing his ability to pack and maintain the type of parachute for which he seeks a rating.

[Doc. No. 1179, 27 FR 7973, Aug. 10, 1962, as amended by Amdt. 65-20, 37 FR 13251, July 6, 1972]

§65.125 Certificates: Privileges.

- (a) A certificated senior parachute rigger may—
- (1) Pack or maintain (except for major repair) any type of parachute for which he is rated; and
- (2) Supervise other persons in packing any type of parachute for which that person is rated in accordance with

\$105.43(a) or \$105.45(b)(1) of this chapter.

- (b) A certificated master parachute rigger may—
- (I) Pack, maintain, or alter any type of parachute for which he is rated; and
- (2) Supervise other persons in packing, maintaining, or altering any type of parachute for which the certificated parachute rigger is rated in accordance with §105.43(a) or §105.45(b)(1) of this chapter.
- (c) A certificated parachute rigger need not comply with §§65.127 through 65.133 (relating to facilities, equipment, performance standards, records, recent experience, and seal) in packing, maintaining, or altering (if authorized) the main parachute of a dual parachute pack to be used for intentional jumping.

[Doc. No. 1179, 27 FR 7973, Aug. 10, 1962, as amended by Amdt. 65–20, 37 FR 13252, July 6, 1972; Amdt. 65–42, 66 FR 23553, May 9, 2001]

§65.127 Facilities and equipment.

No certificated parachute rigger may exercise the privileges of his certificate unless he has at least the following facilities and equipment available to him:

- (a) A smooth top table at least three feet wide by 40 feet long.
- (b) Suitable housing that is adequately heated, lighted, and ventilated for drying and airing parachutes.
- (c) Enough packing tools and other equipment to pack and maintain the types of parachutes that he services.
- (d) Adequate housing facilities to perform his duties and to protect his tools and equipment.

[Doc. No. 1179, 27 FR 7973, Aug. 10, 1962, as amended by Amdt. 65–27, 47 FR 13316, Mar. 29, 1982]

§65.129 Performance standards.

No certificated parachute rigger may—

- (a) Pack, maintain, or alter any parachute unless he is rated for that type;
- chute unless he is rated for that type; (b) Pack a parachute that is not safe for emergency use;
- (c) Pack a parachute that has not been thoroughly dried and aired;
- (d) Alter a parachute in a manner that is not specifically authorized by the Administrator or the manufacturer;

- (e) Pack, maintain, or alter a parachute in any manner that deviates from procedures approved by the Administrator or the manufacturer of the parachute; or
- (f) Exercise the privileges of his certificate and type rating unless he understands the current manufacturer's instructions for the operation involved and has—
- (1) Performed duties under his certificate for at least 90 days within the preceding 12 months; or
- (2) Shown the Administrator that he is able to perform those duties.

§65.131 Records.

- (a) Each certificated parachute rigger shall keep a record of the packing, maintenance, and alteration of parachutes performed or supervised by him. He shall keep in that record, with respect to each parachute worked on, a statement of—
 - (1) Its type and make;
 - (2) Its serial number;
- (3) The name and address of its owner:
- (4) The kind and extent of the work performed;
- (5) The date when and place where the work was performed; and
- (6) The results of any drop tests made
- (b) Each person who makes a record under paragraph (a) of this section shall keep it for at least 2 years after the date it is made.
- (c) Each certificated parachute rigger who packs a parachute shall write, on the parachute packing record attached to the parachute, the date and place of the packing and a notation of any defects he finds on inspection. He shall sign that record with his name and the number of his certificate.

§65.133 Seal.

Each certificated parachute rigger must have a seal with an identifying mark prescribed by the Administrator, and a seal press. After packing a parachute he shall seal the pack with his seal in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendation for that type of parachute.

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APPENDIX A TO PART 65—AIRCRAFT DISPATCHER COURSES

Overview

This appendix sets forth the areas of knowledge necessary to perform dispatcher functions. The items listed below indicate the minimum set of topics that must be covered in a training course for aircraft dispatcher certification. The order of coverage is at the discretion of the approved school. For the latest technological advancements refer to the Practical Test Standards as published by the FAA.

- I. Regulations
 A. Subpart C of this part;
 - B. Parts 1, 25, 61, 71, 91, 121, 139, and 175, of this chapter;

 - C. 49 CFR part 830; D. General Operating Manual.
- II. Meteorology
 A. Basic Weather Studies
 - (1) The earth's motion and its effects on weather.
 - (2) Analysis of the following regional weather types, characteristics, structures, or combinations thereof:
 - (a) Maritime
 - (b) Continental.
- (c) Polar
- (d) Tropical.
- (3) Analysis of the following local weather types, characteristics, and structures or combinations thereof:
- (a) Coastal.
- (b) Mountainous.
- (c) Island.
- (d) Plains
- (4) The following characteristics of the atmosphere:
- (a) Layers.
- (b) Composition.
- (c) Global Wind Patterns.
- (d) Ozone.
- (5) Pressure:
- (a) Units of Measure.
- (b) Weather Systems Characteristics.
- (c) Temperature Effects on Pressure.
- (d) Altimeters.
- (e) Pressure Gradient Force.
- (f) Pressure Pattern Flying Weather.
- (6) Wind:
- (a) Major Wind Systems and Coriolis Force.
- (b) Jetstreams and their Characteristics.
- (c) Local Wind and Related Terms.
- (7) States of Matter:
- (a) Solids, Liquid, and Gases.
- (b) Causes of change of state.
- (8) Clouds:
- (a) Composition, Formation, and Dissipation.
- (b) Types and Associated Precipitation.
- (c) Use of Cloud Knowledge in Forecasting.
- (9) Fog:
- (a) Causes, Formation, and Dissipation.

- (b) Types. (10) Ice:
- (a) Causes, Formation, and Dissipation.
- (b) Types.(11) Stability/Instability:
- (a) Temperature Lapse Rate, Convection.
- (b) Adiabatic Processes.
- (c) Lifting Processes.
- (d) Divergence.
- (e) Convergence. (12) Turbulence:
- (a) Jetstream Associated.
- (b) Pressure Pattern Recognition.(c) Low Level Windshear.
- (d) Mountain Waves
- (e) Thunderstorms.
- (f) Clear Air Turbulence.
- (13) Airmasses:
- (a) Classification and Characteristics.
- (b) Source Regions.
- (c) Use of Airmass Knowledge in Forecasting.
- (14) Fronts:
- (a) Structure and Characteristics, Both Vertical and Horizontal.
- (b) Frontal Types.(c) Frontal Weather Flying.
- (15) Theory of Storm Systems:
- (a) Thunderstorms.
- (b) Tornadoes.
- (c) Hurricanes and Typhoons.
- (d) Microbursts.
- (e) Causes, Formation, and Dissipation.
- B. Weather, Analysis, and Forecasts
- (1) Observations:
- (a) Surface Observations.
- (i) Observations made by certified weather observer.
- (ii) Automated Weather Observations.
- (b) Terminal Forecasts.
- (c) Significant En route Reports and Forecasts.
- (i) Pilot Reports.
- (ii) Area Forecasts.
- (iii) Sigmets, Airmets.
- (iv) Center Weather Advisories.
- (d) Weather Imagery.
- (i) Surface Analysis.
- (ii) Weather Depiction.
- (iii) Significant Weather Prognosis.
- (iv) Winds and Temperature Aloft.
- (v) Tropopause Chart.
- (vi) Composite Moisture Stability Chart.
- (vii) Surface Weather Prognostic Chart.
- (viii) Radar Meteorology.
- (ix) Satellite Meteorology
- (x) Other charts as applicable.
- (e) Meteorological Information Data Collection Systems. (2) Data Collection, Analysis, and Forecast
- Facilities. (3) Service Outlets Providing Aviation
- Weather Products. C. Weather Related Aircraft Hazards
- Crosswinds and Gusts.
- (2) Contaminated Runways
- (3) Restrictions to Surface Visibility.

- (4) Turbulence and Windshear.
- (5) Icing.(6) Thunderstorms and Microburst.
- (7) Volcanic Ash.
- III. Navigation
- (1) Navigation

 A. Study of the Earth

 (1) Time reference and location (0 Longitude, UTC).

 (2) Definitions.
- (3) Projections.
- (4) Charts.
- (a) Charts.

 B. Chart Reading, Application, and Use.
 C. National Airspace Plan.
 D. Navigation Systems.

- E. Airborne Navigation Instruments.
- F. Instrument Approach Procedures.
- (1) Transition Procedures.
- (2) Precision Approach Procedures.
- (3) Non-precision Approach Procedures.
- (4) Minimums and the relationship to weather
- G. Special Navigation and Operations.
- (1) North Atlantic.
- (2) Pacific
- (3) Global Differences.
- IV. AIRCRAFT
- A. Aircraft Flight Manual.
- B. Systems Overview.
- (1) Flight controls.
- (2) Hydraulics.
- (3) Electrical.
- (4) Air Conditioning and Pressurization.
- (5) Ice and Rain protection.
 (6) Avionics, Communication, and Navigation.
- (7) Powerplants and Auxiliary Power Units.
- (8) Emergency and Abnormal Procedures.
- (9) Fuel Systems and Sources.
- C. Minimum Equipment List/Configuration Deviation List (MEL/CDL) and Applications.
- D. Performance.
- (1) Aircraft in general.
- (2) Principles of flight:
- (a) Group one aircraft.
- (b) Group two aircraft.(3) Aircraft Limitations.
- (4) Weight and Balance.
- (5) Flight instrument errors.
- (6) Aircraft performance: (a) Take-off performance.
- (b) En route performance.(c) Landing performance.
- V. Communications
- A. Regulatory requirements. B. Communication Protocol.
- C. Voice and Data Communications.
- D. Notice to Airmen (NOTAMS). E. Aeronautical Publications.
- F. Abnormal Procedures.
- VI. Air Traffic Control
 - A. Responsibilities.
 - B. Facilities and Equipment.
- C. Airspace classification and route structure.
- D. Flight Plans.

- (1) Domestic
- International.
- E. Separation Minimums.
- F. Priority Handling.
- G. Holding Procedures. H. Traffic Management.
- VII. Emergency and Abnormal Procedures
 A. Security measures on the ground.

- B. Security measures in the air. C. FAA responsibility and services.
- D. Collection and dissemination of information on overdue or missing aircraft.
- E. Means of declaring an emergency. F. Responsibility for declaring an emer-
- gency.
 G. Required reporting of an emergency.
- H. NTSB reporting requirements.
 VIII. Practical Dispatch Applications

 - A. Human Factors.
 (1) Decisionmaking:

 - (a) Situation Assessment.
- (b) Generation and Evaluation of Alternatives.
- (i) Tradeoffs and Prioritization.
- (ii) Contingency Planning.(c) Support Tools and Technologies.
- (2) Human Error:
- (a) Causes
- (i) Individual and Organizational Factors.
- (ii) Technology-Induced Error.
- (b) Prevention.
- (c) Detection and Recovery.
- (3) Teamwork:
- (a) Communication and Information Exchange.
- (b) Cooperative and Distributed Problem-Solving.
- (c) Resource Management.
- (i) Air Traffic Control (ATC) activities and workload.
- (ii) Flightcrew activities and workload.
- (iii) Maintenance activities and workload. (iv) Operations Control Staff activities and workload.
- B. Applied Dispatching.
 (1) Briefing techniques, Dispatcher, Pilot.
- (2) Preflight:
- (a) Safety.
- (b) Weather Analysis.
- (i) Satellite imagery.
- (ii) Upper and lower altitude charts.
- (iii) Significant en route reports and forecasts.
- (iv) Surface charts.
- (v) Surface observations.
- (vi) Terminal forecasts and orientation to Enhanced Weather Information System (EWINS)
- (c) NOTAMS and airport conditions.
- (d) Crew
- (i) Qualifications.
- (ii) Limitations.
- (e) Aircraft.
- Systems. (ii) Navigation instruments and avionics systems
- (iii) Flight instruments.

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- (iv) Operations manuals and MEL/CDL.
- (v) Performance and limitations.
- (f) Flight Planning.
- (i) Route of flight.
- 1. Standard Instrument Departures and Standard Terminal Arrival Routes.
- 2. En route charts
- 3. Operational altitude.
- 4. Departure and arrival charts.
- (ii) Minimum departure fuel.
- 1. Climb.
- 2. Cruise.
- 3. Descent.
- (g) Weight and balance.
- (h) Economics of flight overview (Performance, Fuel Tankering).
- (i) Decision to operate the flight.
- (j) ATC flight plan filing.
- (k) Flight documentation.
- (i) Flight plan.
- (ii) Dispatch release.
- (3) Authorize flight departure with concurrence of pilot in command.
- (4) In-flight operational control:
- (a) Current situational awareness.
- (b) Information exchange.
- (c) Amend original flight release as required.
- (5) Post-Flight:
- (a) Arrival verification.
- (b) Weather debrief.
- (c) Flight irregularity reports as required.

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Subpart A—General

§67.1 Applicability.

This part prescribes the medical standards and certification procedures for issuing medical certificates for airmen and for remaining eligible for a medical certificate.

§ 67.3 Issue.

Except as provided in §67.5, a person who meets the medical standards prescribed in this part, based on medical examination and evaluation of the person's history and condition, is entitled to an appropriate medical certificate.

§67.7 Access to the National Driver Register.

At the time of application for a certificate issued under this part, each person who applies for a medical certificate shall execute an express consent form authorizing the Administrator to request the chief driver licensing official of any state designated by the Administrator to transmit information contained in the National Driver Register about the person to the Administrator. The Administrator shall make information received from the National Driver Register, if any, available on request to the person for review and written comment.

Subpart B—First-Class Airman Medical Certificate

§67.101 Eligibility.

To be eligible for a first-class airman medical certificate, and to remain eligible for a first-class airman medical certificate, a person must meet the requirements of this subpart.

§67.103 Eye.

Eye standards for a first-class airman medical certificate are:

- (a) Distant visual acuity of 20/20 or better in each eye separately, with or without corrective lenses. If corrective lenses (spectacles or contact lenses) are necessary for 20/20 vision, the person may be eligible only on the condition that corrective lenses are worn while exercising the privileges of an airman certificate.
- (b) Near vision of 20/40 or better, Snellen equivalent, at 16 inches in each eye separately, with or without corrective lenses. If age 50 or older, near vision of 20/40 or better, Snellen equivalent, at both 16 inches and 32 inches in each eye separately, with or without corrective lenses.
- (c) Ability to perceive those colors necessary for the safe performance of airman duties.
 - (d) Normal fields of vision.
- (e) No acute or chronic pathological condition of either eye or adnexa that interferes with the proper function of an eye, that may reasonably be expected to progress to that degree, or that may reasonably be expected to be aggravated by flying.
- (f) Bifoveal fixation and vergencephoria relationship sufficient to prevent a break in fusion under conditions that may reasonably be expected to

occur in performing airman duties. Tests for the factors named in this paragraph are not required except for persons found to have more than 1 prism diopter of hyperphoria, 6 prism diopters of esophoria, or 6 prism diopters of exophoria. If any of these values are exceeded, the Federal Air Surgeon may require the person to be examined by a qualified eye specialist to determine if there is bifoveal fixation and an adequate vergence-phoria relationship. However, if otherwise eligible, the person is issued a medical certificate pending the results of the examination.

§67.105 Ear, nose, throat, and equilibrium.

Ear, nose, throat, and equilibrium standards for a first-class airman medical certificate are:

- (a) The person shall demonstrate acceptable hearing by at least one of the following tests:
- (1) Demonstrate an ability to hear an average conversational voice in a quiet room, using both ears, at a distance of 6 feet from the examiner, with the back turned to the examiner.
- (2) Demonstrate an acceptable understanding of speech as determined by audiometric speech discrimination testing to a score of at least 70 percent obtained in one ear or in a sound field environment.
- (3) Provide acceptable results of pure tone audiometric testing of unaided hearing acuity according to the following table of worst acceptable thresholds, using the calibration standards of the American National Standards Institute, 1969 (11 West 42d Street, New York, NY 10036):

Frequency (Hz)	500	1000	2000	3000
	Hz	Hz	Hz	Hz
Better ear (Db)	35	30	30	40
	35	50	50	60

- (b) No disease or condition of the middle or internal ear, nose, oral cavity, pharynx, or larynx that—
- (1) Interferes with, or is aggravated by, flying or may reasonably be expected to do so; or
- (2) Interferes with, or may reasonably be expected to interfere with, clear and effective speech communication.

(c) No disease or condition manifested by, or that may reasonably be expected to be manifested by, vertigo or a disturbance of equilibrium.

§67.107 Mental.

Mental standards for a first-class airman medical certificate are:

- (a) No established medical history or clinical diagnosis of any of the following:
- (1) A personality disorder that is severe enough to have repeatedly manifested itself by overt acts.
- (2) A psychosis. As used in this section, "psychosis" refers to a mental disorder in which:
- (i) The individual has manifested delusions, hallucinations, grossly bizarre or disorganized behavior, or other commonly accepted symptoms of this condition: or
- (ii) The individual may reasonably be expected to manifest delusions, hallucinations, grossly bizarre or disorganized behavior, or other commonly accepted symptoms of this condition.
 - (3) A bipolar disorder.
- (4) Substance dependence, except where there is established clinical evidence, satisfactory to the Federal Air Surgeon, of recovery, including sustained total abstinence from the substance(s) for not less than the preceding 2 years. As used in this section—
- (i) "Substance" includes: Alcohol; hypnotics; other sedatives and anxiolytics; opioids; central nervous system stimulants such as cocaine, amphetamines, and similarly acting sympathomimetics; hallucinogens; phencyclidine or similarly acting arylcyclohexylamines; cannabis: and other inhalants: psychoactive drugs and chemicals; and
- (ii) "Substance dependence" means a condition in which a person is dependent on a substance, other than tobacco or ordinary xanthine-containing (e.g., caffeine) beverages, as evidenced by—
 - (A) Increased tolerance;
- (B) Manifestation of withdrawal symptoms;
 - (C) Impaired control of use; or
- (D) Continued use despite damage to physical health or impairment of social, personal, or occupational functioning.

- (b) No substance abuse within the preceding 2 years defined as:
- (1) Use of a substance in a situation in which that use was physically hazardous, if there has been at any other time an instance of the use of a substance also in a situation in which that use was physically hazardous;
- (2) A verified positive drug test result acquired under an anti-drug program or internal program of the U.S. Department of Transportation or any other Administration within the U.S. Department of Transportation; or
- (3) Misuse of a substance that the Federal Air Surgeon, based on case history and appropriate, qualified medical judgment relating to the substance involved, finds—
- (i) Makes the person unable to safely perform the duties or exercise the privileges of the airman certificate applied for or held; or
- (ii) May reasonably be expected, for the maximum duration of the airman medical certificate applied for or held, to make the person unable to perform those duties or exercise those privileges.
- (c) No other personality disorder, neurosis, or other mental condition that the Federal Air Surgeon, based on the case history and appropriate, qualified medical judgment relating to the condition involved, finds—
- (1) Makes the person unable to safely perform the duties or exercise the privileges of the airman certificate applied for or held; or
- (2) May reasonably be expected, for the maximum duration of the airman medical certificate applied for or held, to make the person unable to perform those duties or exercise those privileges.

§ 67.109 Neurologic.

Neurologic standards for a first-class airman medical certificate are:

- (a) No established medical history or clinical diagnosis of any of the following:
 - (1) Epilepsy;
- (2) A disturbance of consciousness without satisfactory medical explanation of the cause; or

- (3) A transient loss of control of nervous system function(s) without satisfactory medical explanation of the cause.
- (b) No other seizure disorder, disturbance of consciousness, or neurologic condition that the Federal Air Surgeon, based on the case history and appropriate, qualified medical judgment relating to the condition involved, finds—
- (1) Makes the person unable to safely perform the duties or exercise the privileges of the airman certificate applied for or held; or
- (2) May reasonably be expected, for the maximum duration of the airman medical certificate applied for or held, to make the person unable to perform those duties or exercise those privileges.

§67.111 Cardiovascular.

Cardiovascular standards for a firstclass airman medical certificate are:

- (a) No established medical history or clinical diagnosis of any of the following:
 - Myocardial infarction;
 - (2) Angina pectoris;
- (3) Coronary heart disease that has required treatment or, if untreated, that has been symptomatic or clinically significant;
 - (4) Cardiac valve replacement;
- (5) Permanent cardiac pacemaker implantation; or
 - (6) Heart replacement;
- (b) A person applying for first-class medical certification must demonstrate an absence of myocardial infarction and other clinically significant abnormality on electrocardiographic examination:
- (1) At the first application after reaching the 35th birthday; and
- (2) On an annual basis after reaching the 40th birthday.
- (c) An electrocardiogram will satisfy a requirement of paragraph (b) of this section if it is dated no earlier than 60 days before the date of the application it is to accompany and was performed and transmitted according to acceptable standards and techniques.

§67.113 General medical condition.

The general medical standards for a first-class airman medical certificate are:

- (a) No established medical history or clinical diagnosis of diabetes mellitus that requires insulin or any other hypoglycemic drug for control.
- (b) No other organic, functional, or structural disease, defect, or limitation that the Federal Air Surgeon, based on the case history and appropriate, qualified medical judgment relating to the condition involved, finds—
- (1) Makes the person unable to safely perform the duties or exercise the privileges of the airman certificate applied for or held; or
- (2) May reasonably be expected, for the maximum duration of the airman medical certificate applied for or held, to make the person unable to perform those duties or exercise those privileges.
- (c) No medication or other treatment that the Federal Air Surgeon, based on the case history and appropriate, qualified medical judgment relating to the medication or other treatment involved, finds—
- (1) Makes the person unable to safely perform the duties or exercise the privileges of the airman certificate applied for or held; or
- (2) May reasonably be expected, for the maximum duration of the airman medical certificate applied for or held, to make the person unable to perform those duties or exercise those privileges.

§67.115 Discretionary issuance.

A person who does not meet the provisions of §§67.103 through 67.113 may apply for the discretionary issuance of a certificate under §67.401.

Subpart C—Second-Class Airman Medical Certificate

§67.201 Eligibility.

To be eligible for a second-class airman medical certificate, and to remain eligible for a second-class airman medical certificate, a person must meet the requirements of this subpart.

§67.203 Eye.

Eye standards for a second-class airman medical certificate are:

- (a) Distant visual acuity of 20/20 or better in each eye separately, with or without corrective lenses. If corrective lenses (spectacles or contact lenses) are necessary for 20/20 vision, the person may be eligible only on the condition that corrective lenses are worn while exercising the privileges of an airman certificate.
- (b) Near vision of 20/40 or better, Snellen equivalent, at 16 inches in each eye separately, with or without corrective lenses. If age 50 or older, near vision of 20/40 or better, Snellen equivalent, at both 16 inches and 32 inches in each eye separately, with or without corrective lenses.
- (c) Ability to perceive those colors necessary for the safe performance of airman duties.
 - (d) Normal fields of vision.
- (e) No acute or chronic pathological condition of either eye or adnexa that interferes with the proper function of an eye, that may reasonably be expected to progress to that degree, or that may reasonably be expected to be aggravated by flying.
- (f) Bifoveal fixation and vergencephoria relationship sufficient to prevent a break in fusion under conditions that may reasonably be expected to occur in performing airman duties. Tests for the factors named in this paragraph are not required except for persons found to have more than 1 prism diopter of hyperphoria, 6 prism diopters of esophoria, or 6 prism diopters of exophoria. If any of these values are exceeded, the Federal Air Surgeon may require the person to be examined by a qualified eye specialist to determine if there is bifoveal fixation and an adequate vergence-phoria relationship. However, if otherwise eligible, the person is issued a medical certificate pending the results of the examination.

§67.205 Ear, nose, throat, and equilibrium.

Ear, nose, throat, and equilibrium standards for a second-class airman medical certificate are:

- (a) The person shall demonstrate acceptable hearing by at least one of the following tests:
- (1) Demonstrate an ability to hear an average conversational voice in a quiet room, using both ears, at a distance of 6 feet from the examiner, with the back turned to the examiner.
- (2) Demonstrate an acceptable understanding of speech as determined by audiometric speech discrimination testing to a score of at least 70 percent obtained in one ear or in a sound field environment.
- (3) Provide acceptable results of pure tone audiometric testing of unaided hearing acuity according to the following table of worst acceptable thresholds, using the calibration standards of the American National Standards Institute, 1969:

Frequency (Hz)	500	1000	2000	3000
	Hz	Hz	Hz	Hz
Better ear (Db)	35	30	30	40
	35	50	50	60

- (b) No disease or condition of the middle or internal ear, nose, oral cavity, pharynx, or larynx that—
- (1) Interferes with, or is aggravated by, flying or may reasonably be expected to do so; or
- (2) Interferes with, or may reasonably be expected to interfere with, clear and effective speech communication.
- (c) No disease or condition manifested by, or that may reasonably be expected to be manifested by, vertigo or a disturbance of equilibrium.

§67.207 Mental.

Mental standards for a second-class airman medical certificate are:

- (a) No established medical history or clinical diagnosis of any of the following:
- (1) A personality disorder that is severe enough to have repeatedly manifested itself by overt acts.
- (2) A psychosis. As used in this section, "psychosis" refers to a mental disorder in which:
- (i) The individual has manifested delusions, hallucinations, grossly bizarre or disorganized behavior, or other commonly accepted symptoms of this condition: or

- (ii) The individual may reasonably be expected to manifest delusions, hallucinations, grossly bizarre or disorganized behavior, or other commonly accepted symptoms of this condition.
 - (3) A bipolar disorder.
- (4) Substance dependence, except where there is established clinical evidence, satisfactory to the Federal Air Surgeon, of recovery, including sustained total abstinence from the substance(s) for not less than the preceding 2 years. As used in this section—
- (i) "Substance" includes: Alcohol; other sedatives and hypnotics; anxiolytics; opioids; central nervous system stimulants such as cocaine, amphetamines, and similarly acting hallucinogens; sympathomimetics: phencyclidine or similarly acting arylcyclohexylamines; cannabis; inhalants; and other psychoactive drugs and chemicals; and
- (ii) "Substance dependence" means a condition in which a person is dependent on a substance, other than tobacco or ordinary xanthine-containing (e.g., caffeine) beverages, as evidenced by—
 - (A) Increased tolerance;
- $\begin{array}{ccc} \hbox{(B)} & Manifestation & of & with drawal \\ symptoms; & \\ \end{array}$
 - (C) Impaired control of use; or
- (D) Continued use despite damage to physical health or impairment of social, personal, or occupational functioning.
- (b) No substance abuse within the preceding 2 years defined as:
- (1) Use of a substance in a situation in which that use was physically hazardous, if there has been at any other time an instance of the use of a substance also in a situation in which that use was physically hazardous;
- (2) A verified positive drug test result acquired under an anti-drug program or internal program of the U.S. Department of Transportation or any other Administration within the U.S. Department of Transportation; or
- (3) Misuse of a substance that the Federal Air Surgeon, based on case history and appropriate, qualified medical judgment relating to the substance involved, finds—
- (i) Makes the person unable to safely perform the duties or exercise the

- privileges of the airman certificate applied for or held; or
- (ii) May reasonably be expected, for the maximum duration of the airman medical certificate applied for or held, to make the person unable to perform those duties or exercise those privileges.
- (c) No other personality disorder, neurosis, or other mental condition that the Federal Air Surgeon, based on the case history and appropriate, qualified medical judgment relating to the condition involved, finds—
- (1) Makes the person unable to safely perform the duties or exercise the privileges of the airman certificate applied for or held; or
- (2) May reasonably be expected, for the maximum duration of the airman medical certificate applied for or held, to make the person unable to perform those duties or exercise those privileges.

§67.209 Neurologic.

Neurologic standards for a secondclass airman medical certificate are:

- (a) No established medical history or clinical diagnosis of any of the following:
 - (1) Epilepsy;
- (2) A disturbance of consciousness without satisfactory medical explanation of the cause; or
- (3) A transient loss of control of nervous system function(s) without satisfactory medical explanation of the cause;
- (b) No other seizure disorder, disturbance of consciousness, or neurologic condition that the Federal Air Surgeon, based on the case history and appropriate, qualified medical judgment relating to the condition involved, finds—
- (1) Makes the person unable to safely perform the duties or exercise the privileges of the airman certificate applied for or held; or
- (2) May reasonably be expected, for the maximum duration of the airman medical certificate applied for or held, to make the person unable to perform those duties or exercise those privileges.

§67.211 Cardiovascular.

Cardiovascular standards for a second-class medical certificate are no established medical history or clinical diagnosis of any of the following:

- (a) Myocardial infarction;
- (b) Angina pectoris;
- (c) Coronary heart disease that has required treatment or, if untreated, that has been symptomatic or clinically significant;
 - (d) Cardiac valve replacement;
- (e) Permanent cardiac pacemaker implantation; or
 - (f) Heart replacement.

§67.213 General medical condition.

The general medical standards for a second-class airman medical certificate are:

- (a) No established medical history or clinical diagnosis of diabetes mellitus that requires insulin or any other hypoglycemic drug for control.
- (b) No other organic, functional, or structural disease, defect, or limitation that the Federal Air Surgeon, based on the case history and appropriate, qualified medical judgment relating to the condition involved, finds—
- (1) Makes the person unable to safely perform the duties or exercise the privileges of the airman certificate applied for or held; or
- (2) May reasonably be expected, for the maximum duration of the airman medical certificate applied for or held, to make the person unable to perform those duties or exercise those privileges.
- (c) No medication or other treatment that the Federal Air Surgeon, based on the case history and appropriate, qualified medical judgment relating to the medication or other treatment involved, finds—
- (1) Makes the person unable to safely perform the duties or exercise the privileges of the airman certificate applied for or held; or
- (2) May reasonably be expected, for the maximum duration of the airman medical certificate applied for or held, to make the person unable to perform those duties or exercise those privileges.

§67.215 Discretionary issuance.

A person who does not meet the provisions of §§67.203 through 67.213 may apply for the discretionary issuance of a certificate under §67.401.

Subpart D—Third-Class Airman Medical Certificate

§67.301 Eligibility.

To be eligible for a third-class airman medical certificate, or to remain eligible for a third-class airman medical certificate, a person must meet the requirements of this subpart.

§67.303 Eye.

Eye standards for a third-class airman medical certificate are:

- (a) Distant visual acuity of 20/40 or better in each eye separately, with or without corrective lenses. If corrective lenses (spectacles or contact lenses) are necessary for 20/40 vision, the person may be eligible only on the condition that corrective lenses are worn while exercising the privileges of an airman certificate.
- (b) Near vision of 20/40 or better, Snellen equivalent, at 16 inches in each eye separately, with or without corrective lenses.
- (c) Ability to perceive those colors necessary for the safe performance of airman duties.
- (d) No acute or chronic pathological condition of either eye or adnexa that interferes with the proper function of an eye, that may reasonably be expected to progress to that degree, or that may reasonably be expected to be aggravated by flying.

§67.305 Ear, nose, throat, and equilibrium.

Ear, nose, throat, and equilibrium standards for a third-class airman medical certificate are:

- (a) The person shall demonstrate acceptable hearing by at least one of the following tests:
- (1) Demonstrate an ability to hear an average conversational voice in a quiet room, using both ears, at a distance of 6 feet from the examiner, with the back turned to the examiner.
- (2) Demonstrate an acceptable understanding of speech as determined by

audiometric speech discrimination testing to a score of at least 70 percent obtained in one ear or in a sound field environment.

(3) Provide acceptable results of pure tone audiometric testing of unaided hearing acuity according to the following table of worst acceptable thresholds, using the calibration standards of the American National Standards Institute, 1969:

Frequency (Hz)	500	1000	2000	3000
	Hz	Hz	Hz	Hz
Better ear (Db)	35	30	30	40
	35	50	50	60

- (b) No disease or condition of the middle or internal ear, nose, oral cavity, pharynx, or larynx that—
- (1) Interferes with, or is aggravated by, flying or may reasonably be expected to do so; or
- (2) Interferes with clear and effective speech communication.
- (c) No disease or condition manifested by, or that may reasonably be expected to be manifested by, vertigo or a disturbance of equilibrium.

§67.307 Mental.

Mental standards for a third-class airman medical certificate are:

- (a) No established medical history or clinical diagnosis of any of the following:
- (1) A personality disorder that is severe enough to have repeatedly manifested itself by overt acts.
- (2) A psychosis. As used in this section, "psychosis" refers to a mental disorder in which—
- (i) The individual has manifested delusions, hallucinations, grossly bizarre or disorganized behavior, or other commonly accepted symptoms of this condition; or
- (ii) The individual may reasonably be expected to manifest delusions, hallucinations, grossly bizarre or disorganized behavior, or other commonly accepted symptoms of this condition.
 - (3) A bipolar disorder.
- (4) Substance dependence, except where there is established clinical evidence, satisfactory to the Federal Air Surgeon, of recovery, including sustained total abstinence from the substance(s) for not less than the pre-

ceding 2 years. As used in this section—

- (i) "Substance" includes: alcohol; other sedatives and hypnotics; anxiolytics; opioids; central nervous system stimulants such as cocaine, amphetamines, and similarly acting sympathomimetics; hallucinogens; phencyclidine or similarly acting arylcyclohexylamines; cannabis; inhalants; and other psychoactive drugs and chemicals: and
- (ii) "Substance dependence" means a condition in which a person is dependent on a substance, other than tobacco or ordinary xanthine-containing (e.g., caffeine) beverages, as evidenced by—
 - (A) Increased tolerance;
- (B) Manifestation of withdrawal symptoms;
 - (C) Impaired control of use; or
- (D) Continued use despite damage to physical health or impairment of social, personal, or occupational functioning.
- (b) No substance abuse within the preceding 2 years defined as:
- (1) Use of a substance in a situation in which that use was physically hazardous, if there has been at any other time an instance of the use of a substance also in a situation in which that use was physically hazardous;
- (2) A verified positive drug test result conducted under an anti-drug rule or internal program of the U.S. Department of Transportation or any other Administration within the U.S. Department of Transportation; or
- (3) Misuse of a substance that the Federal Air Surgeon, based on case history and appropriate, qualified medical judgment relating to the substance involved, finds—
- (i) Makes the person unable to safely perform the duties or exercise the privileges of the airman certificate applied for or held; or
- (ii) May reasonably be expected, for the maximum duration of the airman medical certificate applied for or held, to make the person unable to perform those duties or exercise those privileges.
- (c) No other personality disorder, neurosis, or other mental condition that the Federal Air Surgeon, based on

the case history and appropriate, qualified medical judgment relating to the condition involved, finds—

- (1) Makes the person unable to safely perform the duties or exercise the privileges of the airman certificate applied for or held; or
- (2) May reasonably be expected, for the maximum duration of the airman medical certificate applied for or held, to make the person unable to perform those duties or exercise those privileges.

§67.309 Neurologic.

Neurologic standards for a third-class airman medical certificate are:

- (a) No established medical history or clinical diagnosis of any of the following:
 - (1) Epilepsy;
- (2) A disturbance of consciousness without satisfactory medical explanation of the cause; or
- (3) A transient loss of control of nervous system function(s) without satisfactory medical explanation of the cause.
- (b) No other seizure disorder, disturbance of consciousness, or neurologic condition that the Federal Air Surgeon, based on the case history and appropriate, qualified medical judgment relating to the condition involved, finds—
- (1) Makes the person unable to safely perform the duties or exercise the privileges of the airman certificate applied for or held; or
- (2) May reasonably be expected, for the maximum duration of the airman medical certificate applied for or held, to make the person unable to perform those duties or exercise those privileges.

§67.311 Cardiovascular.

Cardiovascular standards for a thirdclass airman medical certificate are no established medical history or clinical diagnosis of any of the following:

- (a) Myocardial infarction;
- (b) Angina pectoris:
- (c) Coronary heart disease that has required treatment or, if untreated, that has been symptomatic or clinically significant;
 - (d) Cardiac valve replacement;

- (e) Permanent cardiac pacemaker implantation; or
 - (f) Heart replacement.

§67.313 General medical condition.

The general medical standards for a third-class airman medical certificate are:

(a) No established medical history or clinical diagnosis of diabetes mellitus that requires insulin or any other hypoglycemic drug for control.

- (b) No other organic, functional, or structural disease, defect, or limitation that the Federal Air Surgeon, based on the case history and appropriate, qualified medical judgment relating to the condition involved, finds—
- (1) Makes the person unable to safely perform the duties or exercise the privileges of the airman certificate applied for or held; or
- (2) May reasonably be expected, for the maximum duration of the airman medical certificate applied for or held, to make the person unable to perform those duties or exercise those privileges.
- (c) No medication or other treatment that the Federal Air Surgeon, based on the case history and appropriate, qualified medical judgment relating to the medication or other treatment involved finds—
- (1) Makes the person unable to safely perform the duties or exercise the privileges of the airman certificate applied for or held; or
- (2) May reasonably be expected, for the maximum duration of the airman medical certificate applied for or held, to make the person unable to perform those duties or exercise those privileges.

§67.315 Discretionary issuance.

A person who does not meet the provisions of §§67.303 through 67.313 may apply for the discretionary issuance of a certificate under §67.401.

Subpart E—Certification Procedures

§67.401 Special issuance of medical certificates.

(a) At the discretion of the Federal Air Surgeon, an Authorization for Special Issuance of a Medical Certificate

(Authorization), valid for a specified period, may be granted to a person who does not meet the provisions of subparts B, C, or D of this part if the person shows to the satisfaction of the Federal Air Surgeon that the duties authorized by the class of medical certificate applied for can be performed without endangering public safety during the period in which the Authorization would be in force. The Federal Air Surgeon may authorize a special medical flight test, practical test, or medical evaluation for this purpose. A medical certificate of the appropriate class may be issued to a person who does not meet the provisions of subparts B, C, or D of this part if that person possesses a valid Authorization and is otherwise eligible. An airman medical certificate issued in accordance with this section shall expire no later than the end of the validity period or upon the withdrawal of the Authorization upon which it is based. At the end of its specified validity period, for grant of a new Authorization, the person must again show to the satisfaction of the Federal Air Surgeon that the duties authorized by the class of medical certificate applied for can be performed without endangering public safety during the period in which the Authorization would be in force.

- (b) At the discretion of the Federal Air Surgeon, a Statement of Demonstrated Ability (SODA) may be granted, instead of an Authorization, to a person whose disqualifying condition is static or nonprogressive and who has been found capable of performing airman duties without endangering public safety. A SODA does not expire and authorizes a designated aviation medical examiner to issue a medical certificate of a specified class if the examiner finds that the condition described on its face has not adversely changed.
- (c) In granting an Authorization or SODA, the Federal Air Surgeon may consider the person's operational experience and any medical facts that may affect the ability of the person to perform airman duties including—
- (1) The combined effect on the person of failure to meet more than one requirement of this part; and

- (2) The prognosis derived from professional consideration of all available information regarding the person.
- (d) In granting an Authorization or SODA under this section, the Federal Air Surgeon specifies the class of medical certificate authorized to be issued and may do any or all of the following:
- (1) Limit the duration of an Authorization:
- (2) Condition the granting of a new Authorization on the results of subsequent medical tests, examinations, or evaluations;
- (3) State on the Authorization or SODA, and any medical certificate based upon it, any operational limitation needed for safety; or
- (4) Condition the continued effect of an Authorization or SODA, and any second- or third-class medical certificate based upon it, on compliance with a statement of functional limitations issued to the person in coordination with the Director of Flight Standards or the Director's designee.
- (e) In determining whether an Authorization or SODA should be granted to an applicant for a third-class medical certificate, the Federal Air Surgeon considers the freedom of an airman, exercising the privileges of a private pilot certificate, to accept reasonable risks to his or her person and property that are not acceptable in the exercise of commercial or airline transport pilot privileges, and, at the same time, considers the need to protect the safety of persons and property in other aircraft and on the ground.
- (f) An Authorization or SODA granted under the provisions of this section to a person who does not meet the applicable provisions of subparts B, C, or D of this part may be withdrawn, at the discretion of the Federal Air Surgeon, at any time if—
- (1) There is adverse change in the holder's medical condition;
- (2) The holder fails to comply with a statement of functional limitations or operational limitations issued as a condition of certification under this section:
- (3) Public safety would be endangered by the holder's exercise of airman privileges;
- (4) The holder fails to provide medical information reasonably needed by

the Federal Air Surgeon for certification under this section; or

- (5) The holder makes or causes to be made a statement or entry that is the basis for withdrawal of an Authorization or SODA under §67.403.
- (g) A person who has been granted an Authorization or SODA under this section based on a special medical flight or practical test need not take the test again during later physical examinations unless the Federal Air Surgeon determines or has reason to believe that the physical deficiency has or may have degraded to a degree to require another special medical flight test or practical test.
- (h) The authority of the Federal Air Surgeon under this section is also exercised by the Manager, Aeromedical Certification Division, and each Regional Flight Surgeon.
- (i) If an Authorization or SODA is withdrawn under paragraph (f) of this section the following procedures apply:
- (1) The holder of the Authorization or SODA will be served a letter of withdrawal, stating the reason for the action:
- (2) By not later than 60 days after the service of the letter of withdrawal, the holder of the Authorization or SODA may request, in writing, that the Federal Air Surgeon provide for review of the decision to withdraw. The request for review may be accompanied by supporting medical evidence;
- (3) Within 60 days of receipt of a request for review, a written final decision either affirming or reversing the decision to withdraw will be issued; and
- (4) A medical certificate rendered invalid pursuant to a withdrawal, in accordance with paragraph (a) of this section, shall be surrendered to the Administrator upon request.
- (j) No grant of a special issuance made prior to September 16, 1996, may be used to obtain a medical certificate after the earlier of the following dates:
 - (1) September 16, 1997; or
- (2) The date on which the holder of such special issuance is required to provide additional information to the FAA as a condition for continued medical certification.

§ 67.403 Applications, certificates, logbooks, reports, and records: Falsification, reproduction, or alteration; incorrect statements.

- (a) No person may make or cause to be made—
- (1) A fraudulent or intentionally false statement on any application for a medical certificate or on a request for any Authorization for Special Issuance of a Medical Certificate (Authorization) or Statement of Demonstrated Ability (SODA) under this part;
- (2) A fraudulent or intentionally false entry in any logbook, record, or report that is kept, made, or used, to show compliance with any requirement for any medical certificate or for any Authorization or SODA under this part;
- (3) A reproduction, for fraudulent purposes, of any medical certificate under this part; or
- (4) An alteration of any medical certificate under this part.
- (b) The commission by any person of an act prohibited under paragraph (a) of this section is a basis for—
- (1) Suspending or revoking all airman, ground instructor, and medical certificates and ratings held by that person:
- (2) Withdrawing all Authorizations or SODA's held by that person; and
- (3) Denying all applications for medical certification and requests for Authorizations or SODA's.
- (c) The following may serve as a basis for suspending or revoking a medical certificate; withdrawing an Authorization or SODA; or denying an application for a medical certificate or request for an authorization or SODA:
- (1) An incorrect statement, upon which the FAA relied, made in support of an application for a medical certificate or request for an Authorization or SODA.
- (2) An incorrect entry, upon which the FAA relied, made in any logbook, record, or report that is kept, made, or used to show compliance with any requirement for a medical certificate or an Authorization or SODA.

§ 67.405 Medical examinations: Who may give.

(a) First-class. Any aviation medical examiner who is specifically designated

for the purpose may give the examination for the first-class medical certificate. Any interested person may obtain a list of these aviation medical examiners, in any area, from the FAA Regional Flight Surgeon of the region in which the area is located.

(b) Second- and third-class. Any aviation medical examiner may give the examination for the second- or third-class medical certificate. Any interested person may obtain a list of aviation medical examiners, in any area, from the FAA Regional Flight Surgeon of the region in which the area is located.

§ 67.407 Delegation of authority.

- (a) The authority of the Administrator under 49 U.S.C. 44703 to issue or deny medical certificates is delegated to the Federal Air Surgeon to the extent necessary to—
- (1) Examine applicants for and holders of medical certificates to determine whether they meet applicable medical standards; and
- (2) Issue, renew, and deny medical certificates, and issue, renew, deny, and withdraw Authorizations for Special Issuance of a Medical Certificate and Statements of Demonstrated Ability to a person based upon meeting or failing to meet applicable medical standards.
- (b) Subject to limitations in this chapter, the delegated functions of the Federal Air Surgeon to examine applicants for and holders of medical certificates for compliance with applicable medical standards and to issue, renew, and deny medical certificates are also delegated to aviation medical examiners and to authorized representatives of the Federal Air Surgeon within the FAA.
- (c) The authority of the Administrator under 49 U.S.C. 44702, to reconsider the action of an aviation medical examiner is delegated to the Federal Surgeon; Air the Manager. Aeromedical Certification Division; and each Regional Flight Surgeon. Where the person does not meet the standards of §§ 67.107(b)(3) and (c), 67.109(b), 67.113(b) and (c), 67.207(b)(3) and (c), 67.209(b), 67.213(b) and (c), 67.307(b)(3) and (c), 67.309(b), or 67.313(b) and (c), any action taken under this

paragraph other than by the Federal Air Surgeon is subject to reconsideration by the Federal Air Surgeon. A certificate issued by an aviation medical examiner is considered to be affirmed as issued unless an FAA official named in this paragraph (authorized official) reverses that issuance within 60 days after the date of issuance. However, if within 60 days after the date of issuance an authorized official requests the certificate holder to submit additional medical information, an authorized official may reverse the issuance within 60 days after receipt of the requested information.

(d) The authority of the Administrator under 49 U.S.C. 44709 to re-examine any civil airman to the extent necessary to determine an airman's qualification to continue to hold an airman medical certificate, is delegated to the Federal Air Surgeon and his or her authorized representatives within the FAA.

§67.409 Denial of medical certificate.

- (a) Any person who is denied a medical certificate by an aviation medical examiner may, within 30 days after the date of the denial, apply in writing and in duplicate to the Federal Air Surgeon, Attention: Manager, Aeromedical Certification Division, AAM-300, Federal Aviation Administration, P.O. Box 26080, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73126, for reconsideration of that denial. If the person does not ask for reconsideration during the 30-day period after the date of the denial, he or she is considered to have withdrawn the application for a medical certificate.
- (b) The denial of a medical certificate—
- (1) By an aviation medical examiner is not a denial by the Administrator under 49 U.S.C. 44703.
- (2) By the Federal Air Surgeon is considered to be a denial by the Administrator under 49 U.S.C. 44703.
- (3) By the Manager, Aeromedical Certification Division, or a Regional Flight Surgeon is considered to be a denial by the Administrator under 49 U.S.C. 44703 except where the person does not meet the standards of §867.107(b)(3) and (c), 67.109(b), or 67.113(b) and (c); 67.207(b)(3) and (c), 67.209(b), or 67.213(b) and (c); or

67.307(b)(3) and (c), 67.309(b), or 67.313(b) and (c).

- (c) Any action taken under §67.407(c) that wholly or partly reverses the issue of a medical certificate by an aviation medical examiner is the denial of a medical certificate under paragraph (b) of this section.
- (d) If the issue of a medical certificate is wholly or partly reversed by the Federal Air Surgeon; the Manager, Aeromedical Certification Division; or a Regional Flight Surgeon, the person holding that certificate shall surrender it, upon request of the FAA.

§67.411 Medical certificates by flight surgeons of Armed Forces.

- (a) The FAA has designated flight surgeons of the Armed Forces on specified military posts, stations, and facilities, as aviation medical examiners.
- (b) An aviation medical examiner described in paragraph (a) of this section may give physical examinations for the FAA medical certificates to persons who are on active duty or who are, under Department of Defense medical programs, eligible for FAA medical certification as civil airmen. In addition, such an examiner may issue or deny an appropriate FAA medical certificate in accordance with the regulations of this chapter and the policies of the FAA.
- (c) Any interested person may obtain a list of the military posts, stations, and facilities at which a flight surgeon has been designated as an aviation medical examiner from the Surgeon General of the Armed Force concerned or from the Manager, Aeromedical

Education Division, AAM-400, Federal Aviation Administration, P.O. Box 26082, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73125.

§67.413 Medical records.

- (a) Whenever the Administrator finds that additional medical information or history is necessary to determine whether an applicant for or the holder of a medical certificate meets the medical standards for it, the Administrator requests that person to furnish that information or to authorize any clinic, hospital, physician, or other person to release to the Administrator all available information or records concerning that history. If the applicant or holder fails to provide the requested medical information or history or to authorize the release so requested, the Administrator may suspend, modify, or revoke all medical certificates the airman holds or may, in the case of an applicant, deny the application for an airman medical certificate.
- (b) If an airman medical certificate is suspended or modified under paragraph (a) of this section, that suspension or modification remains in effect until the requested information, history, or authorization is provided to the FAA and until the Federal Air Surgeon determines whether the person meets the medical standards under this part.

§67.415 Return of medical certificate after suspension or revocation.

The holder of any medical certificate issued under this part that is suspended or revoked shall, upon the Administrator's request, return it to the Administrator.